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Madrid fallout favors Israel

UNITED NATIONS (JTA) —

Like the dog that didn't bark in the Sherlock Holmes tale, the first fruits of the Madrid peace conference in the UN General Assembly can be seen in what has not happened: No challenge has been put forward to the Israeli delegation's credentials.

Nor has the vote to approve Israeli credentials — prior to 1982, a totally routine matter — been used to criticize Israeli policies.

Arab countries have described their restraint as a goodwill gesture, though in an interview, Egyptian Ambassador Nabil Elaraby did not use that term. He said only that such fundamental aspects of the Arab-Israeli dispute now "should be left to the regional peace" talks.

But the Arabs states have kept open the possibility of such a challenge later in the General Assembly session.

The credentials challenge, first launched by the Arab states nine years ago, has always been considered by Israel to be its most serious annual battle in the General Assembly. Rejecting the credentials of the Israeli delegation would effectively expel Israel from the world body.

For that same reason, however, Israel consistently survived the challenge by a higher margin than any other anti-Israel resolution. As much as they might condemn Israel, many countries feared that expelling a member state would set a precedent that could boomerang against them as well.

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Israel's majority on this issue increased each year.

The turning point came in 1989, when the Soviet Union abstained and former Soviet bloc countries with new ties to Israel voted against the Arabs. The result was decisively in Israel's favor, 95-37, with 15 abstentions and 12 countries absent. Egypt voted with Israel.

This year, the Arab states have again asked that the credentials report not be brought to a vote. So far they have not, however, offered any amendment to the report's standard acceptance of the Israeli credentials.

Nonetheless, the United Nations' ongoing role of quiet anti-Israel agitation continues.

In accordance with last year's resolution on "the Question of Palestine," the UN Department of Public Information organized a two-week fact-finding mission to the Middle East, which began simultaneously with the peace conference in Madrid.

Twelve senior journalists from European newspapers, including *Le Monde*, *Berliner Zeitung* and *The Guardian*, are visiting Tunis, Amman, Damascus and Cairo to meet with senior government officials, the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization and individual Palestinians in the refugee camps.

A visit to Israel is not on the agenda.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir (left) and Foreign Minister David Levy, shown here before Shamir's departure for Madrid, repeated this friendly gesture following their own private "peace talk" on Shamir's return. [IPPA photo]

PM, Levy end quarrel as Netanyahu shifted

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

While the peace process has barely begun between Israel and its Arab foes, peace has been achieved quickly at the top levels of the Israeli government.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Foreign Minister David Levy have ended their quarrel after a private "peace talk."

The Likud leader made amends to the foreign minister he left behind on the eve of the Madrid conference opening, humiliating him in the process by taking along an aggressive young rival, Binyamin Netanyahu.

Now Netanyahu has been transferred from his post as deputy foreign minister to the Prime Minister's Office.

Levy cannot help but be relieved, since he had no working relationship with the hawkish Netanyahu, and they were not even on speaking terms.

Yet when it comes to input and influence on Israeli foreign policy, Netanyahu, in his new post close to Shamir, may well overshadow Levy.

Shamir, who announced at the last minute that he, not Levy would head the Israeli delegation to Madrid, has made a further concession. The Foreign Ministry, which played second fiddle in Madrid to the prime minister's personal advisers, now has been given command of two key committees dealing with the peace process.

One is in charge of the bilateral talks with Lebanon, and the other will deal with the multilateral meetings on regional issues, in which Israel and the various Arab states are supposed to take part.

By assigning the Lebanon bilaterals to the Foreign Ministry, Shamir squeezed out a seasoned diplomat, considered eminently suited to the task.

Uri Lubrani, who was originally supposed to head the negotiations with Lebanon, has been the government's co-ordinator in southern Lebanon and is considered a leading authority on that country.

Levy admitted candidly to a television interviewer last week that his absence from Madrid did not harm the peace process but harmed himself.

But he said he had no choice. "It was not a matter of honor but rather of proper governance," he said.

Next Week

The CJN begins a series looking at Jewish life on campuses across the nation.

Don't miss it!

Jewish Life on Campus

Germans take to the streets

BONN (JTA) —

At least 100,000 Germans demonstrated all over the country Saturday to protest the escalation of attacks on foreigners by neo-Nazis and demanded that the government do something about it.

The marches, which included church and labor leaders, took place in some 100 cities. The huge turnout coincided with the 53rd anniversary of Kristallnacht, the first officially sanctioned pogrom in the Third Reich, which occurred during the night of Nov. 9-10, 1938.

The demonstrations marked, as well, the second anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall.

In Cologne, some 40,000 marchers carried window frames with broken glass, to recall both Kristallnacht and recent violence.

Violence in Germany, particularly in the eastern part of the country, has been palpably racist, aimed mainly at Africans, Asians and East European refugees seeking asylum. But the Jewish community is deeply disturbed.

In fact, even as anti-racist marches were taking place, attacks flared in Wismar, a northern port in eastern Germany, where right-wing youths fought foreign students in a university cafeteria and dormitory.

Saarbrucken, in the southwest corner of Germany, near the French border, was the scene of the largest anti-racist rally, which brought out both government and opposition politicians.

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Health services sought for Jewish day schools

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

A Toronto court has been asked to order the provincial government to provide health support services for children attending Jewish day schools in Ontario.

The services would include treatment by speech pathologists, monitoring by educational audiologists and other assistance for a child suffering from a hearing impairment — just the range of treatment required by seven-year-old Matan Kezwer, a student at the United Synagogue Day School (USDS).

Two weeks ago, when Matan's mother Paula and four other Ontario parents, operating under the auspices of Canadian Jewish Congress, sued the provincial government to obtain public funding for Jewish day schools, they also asked that the province "extend school health support services to the children in the Jewish day schools."

Failure by the Ministry of Health to provide the services is particularly "outrageous," said Bernie Farber, associate director of community relations for Congress. "We're not talking about education money, but health money.

"It's bad enough [the provincial government] discriminates against Jewish children on the basis of education. It's unacceptable that they discriminate against Jewish children on the basis of handicap," he added.

Farber said Michael Ennis, assistant deputy minister of community health and support services, wrote to him last January confirming that procedures were under way to allow children in Jewish day schools to receive health support services.

Changes were required to provincial regulations to implement the changes, as well as approval of the ministers of education, health and community and social services, before the matter proceeds to cabinet, Ennis stated in the letter.

"The time frame for development of a regulation and. . . [the] approval process is several months," Ennis wrote. "We will be proposing an effective date of September 1991."

A May 17 letter from Ennis to Edward Morgan, who along with John I. Laskin is representing the parents in their suit, confirmed the Sept. 1 target date. But the school year began without the promised health care and Paula and her husband, Gil, have privately retained a speech pathologist to work with Matan.

The unavailability of such services in Jewish schools, when they are readily available in public and Catholic schools, "is both hurtful and alienating," Paula Kezwer stated in an affidavit supporting the law suit.

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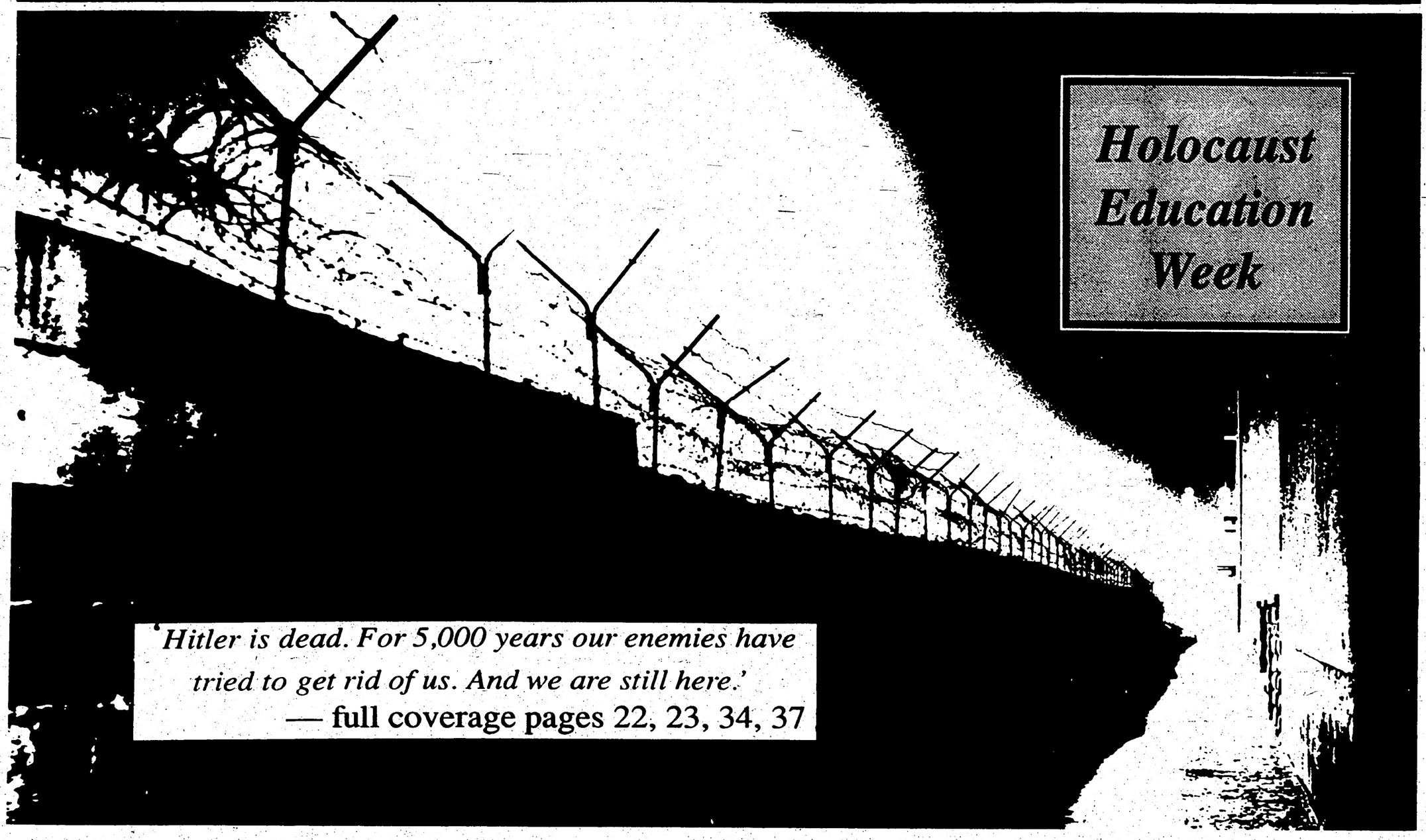
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German Jews found new home in China

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Leo and Ilse Awin's Toronto home sports a few reminders of a little-known aspect of recent Jewish history.

A somewhat weathered sketch depicts a road running along an unfamiliar port city while across the dining room, in an open display case, sit a number of oriental jade figurines.

Their prize possession, normally familiar to Jews everywhere, would likely to be indecipherable to a guest — the detailed ornamental borders, complete with birds and butterflies, and the Chinese calligraphy that makes up the body of the work, give no hint that the framed document is the couple's ketubah, or Jewish marriage certificate.

The Chinese mementoes testify to one family's experience during the Holocaust — the pre-war exodus of approximately 20,000 German and Austrian Jews to Shanghai.

Along with about half a dozen other Torontonians, the Awins recently returned from Philadelphia where 300 Jews who spent the war years in China gathered for the aptly named Rickshaw Reunion.

It was the third time since 1980 that survivors gathered to recall their lives in Shanghai.

For Leo Awin, the reunion offered the opportunity to talk about old times and to recount their experiences for interviewers from Gratz College, who recorded the testimony of survivors for posterity.

For an outside observer, the escape to Shanghai might have all the romance of a 1940s black and white adventure film, but to the Awins it meant giving up a life that had been made unbearable by the jackbooted Nazi storm-troopers.

For Berlin native Ilse Awin, 65, the restrictions began soon after the Nazi takeover in 1933. The writing was on the wall after Kristallnacht, the Nazi-initiated pogrom of November 1938. From that point on, all efforts were on getting out of Germany.

Likewise for Leo Awin, a native of Vienna. After the Anschluss (takeover) of Austria, "what they did in Germany in five years, they did in Austria in one," he said.

For both families, Kristallnacht spurred frantic efforts to find a destination that would accept them, but almost all doors were closed.

Ilse can recall her father writing letters all over the world to people with the same family name, asking their assistance to sponsor their immigration.

Her cousin, she recalled, answered an ad to get married to a South American Jew, but she couldn't get out of the country. "Nobody wanted Jews at that time," Leo recalls.

Except for Shanghai.

With a reputation as an open, no-holds-barred city, Shanghai accepted the Jewish refugees as long as they had inoculation certificates.

Leo's uncle avoided the long lineups for the prized tickets to the Orient by getting a job in the offices of the steamship company, eventually obtaining 10 tickets for the family.

Life was difficult

In May 1939 Leo's family departed, and in June Ilse's. Though they did not know each other at the time, ironically both made the passage on board the same ship, the Victoria.

When they arrived in Shanghai, they were directed to the area they later came to know as Hong Ku, which was to be home for them for the next 10 years.

Life was difficult for the German Jews in China. Often four to six people shared one room, money was scarce and tropical diseases like malaria plagued the community. Things were especially hard on the older emigres, who found adapting to a new environment especially difficult, the Awins recall. Both Ilse's parents died in Shanghai, two of an estimated 2,000 fatalities among the recent arrivals.

The community, which reached around 22,000 when the existing Jewish population of Russian and Sephardic Jews was included, got assistance from the Joint Distribution Committee, as well as from local philanthropists like the Sassoon and Kedourie families, the Awins recall.

A jeweller by trade, Leo got a job on his second day in the city.

Leo and Ilse met at a New Year's Eve operetta performance. The couple recalls that cultural pursuits were readily available — among the immigrants were talented musicians, actors and artists, as well as doctors who staffed a Jewish hospital.

The community established a synagogue and Ilse recalls joining the Betar youth Zionist movement as well.

In 1949, as the Communists were poised to take over Shanghai, the Awins were able to leave thanks to a U.S. airlift on four planes chartered by the Joint Distribution Committee.

They were assisted by a member of the Guild of Craftsmen who had moved to Montreal and helped convince Canadian authorities to admit 400 Shanghai Jews.

After arriving in Vancouver and travelling cross-country by train, the Awins settled in Toronto where Leo got a job quickly.

For Harry Fiedler, attending the Rickshaw Reunion along with cousin Eric Goldstaub brought back some memories of a childhood spent playing with Chinese friends, attending Jewish school and seeing for the first time the Great Wall of China.

At 51, Fiedler's place of birth was Shanghai. He was born two years after his parents, Oscar and Berta, fled Vienna.

Fiedler, whose parents fled soon after the Communist takeover, said he attended the reunion "to go back to my roots and meet people who may have known me or my parents."

The reunion has sparked an even greater interest in China for Fiedler. He plans to travel back to the old neighborhood in the next year or two to witness for himself the area that provided a safe haven when the rest of the world was turning its back on the Jews.

Leo and Ilse Awin show off a memento of their lives in Shanghai—a Chinese language marriage certificate. [Paul Lungen photo]

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Anti-Semitism on the rise Foxman tells ADL conference

By
DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

A special two-day Anti-Defamation League conference here, focusing solely on anti-Semitism, produced cascades of words and, with rare exception, one overall consensus: Anti-Semitism, both in North America and abroad, is on the rise and Jews have to stop keeping quiet about it.

That view was presented most vocally by Abraham Foxman, the ADL's national director, to 175 delegates, mostly from the United States, at the Sheraton Centre Hotel. The conference featured sessions with numerous academics, community leaders and media and religious figures, including Romanian Chief Rabbi Moshe Rosen, Soviet VAAD president Dr. Michael Chlenov, former New York mayor Ed Koch, B'nai Brith League for Human Rights, Marc Sandler and *Washington Post* columnist Richard Cohen.

Speaking at the opening and closing sessions, Foxman said increased gang violence in the United States and the instability in Europe "tell us we have reason to be concerned and frightened by what seems to be a rising tide of anti-Semitism here and around the world."

During the conference, held in co-operation with B'nai Brith Canada's League for Human Rights, statistics were presented, showing roughly similar Canadian and American increases in anti-Semitic incidents — around 18 or 19 percent last year.

"The virus has become more active," Foxman said. "The restraints and taboos have disappeared."

The tone of the conference did not appear to indicate that the increase in anti-Semitism was threatening Jewish mainstream acceptance in society.

Most troubling to Foxman is the "silence, indifference, and apathy," the ADL sees among average Jews on the issue.

"In North America, we have to cajole decent people to speak out," he said. "Those who set the tone are rationalizing. Those who debate the odds do nothing to save the Jews."

Abraham Foxman

In an interview with *The CJN* nearing the conference's conclusion, Foxman said he thought North American Jews had more to worry about in the wake of recent events such as the riots in Crown Heights and comments by Prof. Leonard Jeffries of New York's City College.

And the effect of gangs should not be underestimated, in light of the fact that "20 to 30 percent" of anti-Semitic violence in the United States now appears to be gang-related. "I don't think that's marginal," he said.

Speaking to the conference, Foxman pointed to specific events abroad to bolster the ADL's case, including a dramatic rise in neo-Nazi activities and Polish Cardinal Josef Glemp's "resurrection of ancient canards and false stereotypes of Jews," which the ADL said is still the prevalent attitude in Poland.

B'nai Brith League for Human Rights director Karen Mock gave the Canadian perspective.

Canadian Jews have not suffered the same tensions with the black community as experienced in the United States, she said. But agreeing with McGill University's Prof. Ruth Wisse, Mock described the difficulties Jews have in standing up to anti-Israel propaganda, particularly on college campuses.

Mock also noted the fight the BB League has put up in fighting racism against other communities, such as against the anti-Arab sentiments that rose to the surface during the Gulf War.

Although the conference was organized to "assess" the state of anti-Semitism around the world today — experts came from Canada, the United States, Israel, South America, the U.S.S.R., Germany, Poland, Romania, and Australia — no specific recommendations were forthcoming. The numerous forums, however, drew wide praise from delegates for their scholarship and substance.

The ADL said it will publish and distribute transcripts of the sessions.

One of the most important sessions focused on the Jewish situation in different areas of Europe.

Josef Joffe, foreign editor of the German *Suddeutsche Zeitung*, said there is little anti-Semitism in Germany, the main reason possibly being that there are so few Jews left — half of one percent of the population.

Romanian Chief Rabbi Moshe Rosen said Jews in his country do not have to fear the government, which is not anti-Jewish, but the fascist movements feeding "daily poison" to people who "know nothing" about Jews.

This includes blood libels and claims that 200,000 Soviet Jews will be invading Romania to steal their homes and livelihoods.

Rabbi Rosen said the ADL should come to Romania to distribute material to combat the ignorance and said more co-operation is needed between Jews across Europe.

Soviet VAAD president Michael Chlenov said simply, "Yes, anti-Semitism is an obvious and visible threat to the well-being of the [Soviet] Jewish community."

In Poland, said Rev. Stanislaw Musial, secretary of the Polish Episcopate's Commission on Dialogue with Judaism, strong "nationalist pressure" in the Polish leadership is reviving anti-Semitic sentiment. Being Jewish "still brings a negative connotation."

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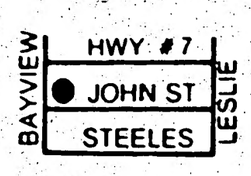

Cantors hold conference

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Traditional Conservative and modern Orthodox cantors meeting for the first time last month voted 101 to three to inaugurate the International Federation of Traditional Cantors, an organization born of the controversy over female chazzanim.

The nascent organization will encompass cantors disenchanted with the Conservative movement's admission of qualified women, Cantor Eliezer Kirshblum of Toronto's Adath Israel Synagogue told *The CJN*.

Cantor Kirshblum and Cantor Paul Kowarsky of Beth Tzedec Congregation co-hosted the three-day convention here of 104 like-minded cantors from across Canada, the United States, Britain and Israel.

The conference's purpose, aside from sharing professional expertise on their art, was to bring together chazzanim committed to a cantorate "based strictly on Halacha," Cantor Kirshblum explained.

Although the subject of women cantors was not raised or even discussed — at least not on an official level — the convention owed its genesis to the touchy issue of female chazzanim.

The Conservative movement's Jewish Theological Seminary began conferring the title of chazzan on women in 1987, two years after it ordained its first female rabbi.

Cantor Eliezer Kirshblum

But at its 44th annual convention in Los Angeles earlier this year, the Cantors' Assembly of America — the professional body for North America's roughly 450 Conservative chazzanim — admitted 14 qualified women, marking the first time females were allowed in.

The International Federation of Traditional Cantors plans to offer members the same services as the Cantors' Assembly has: insurance benefits, placement assistance, pensions and professional development, Cantor Kirshblum said.

Cantor Kirshblum quit the organization last week, saying in a letter to assembly president Nathan Lam that he could no longer remain a member for ideological reasons and because of the way the assembly went over the heads of its members on the issue of female cantors.

But he stressed to *The CJN* that members of the new group can still belong to any other cantors' organization.

"We're going to be an independent organization of cantors under the banner of tradition," he said. "A lot of us felt that the Cantor's Assembly was moving more and more to the liberal fold and that traditional cantors were being put out to pasture."

The convention also attracted members of the Cantorial Council of America — the umbrella for Orthodox chazzanim — headed by Joseph Malovany of New York's famed Fifth Avenue Synagogue.

Cantors heard seminars on the human voice, how to involve a congregation more meaningfully in davening and one panel on *shliach tzibbur b'halacha*, roughly, how Jewish law views the role of the emissary of the congregation, or the cantor.

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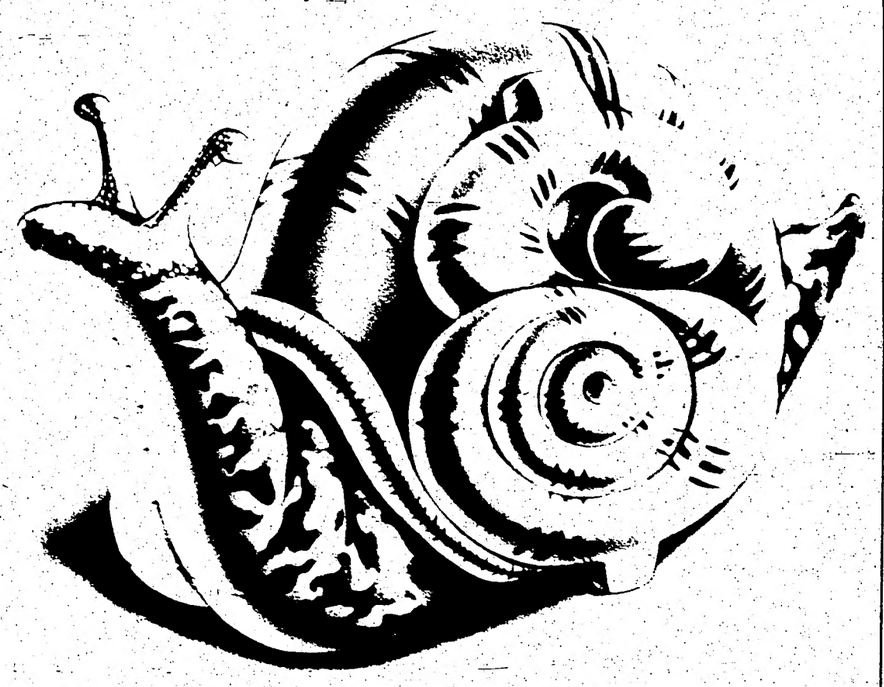

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List angers Israelis

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

Israeli officials are reported to be furious over 25 demands the Palestinian leadership is said to have conveyed to the United States and Soviet Union as conditions for bilateral negotiations with Israel.

Israel's political leadership has dismissed them as "cheap Arab propaganda," which can only poison the atmosphere before the substantive phase of peace talks begins, *Ma'ariv* reported Sunday.

According to the Israeli daily, the document presented to the two powers that jointly sponsored the Madrid peace conference is titled Confidence-Building Measures Demanded From Israel With the Convening of the Peace Conference.

The signatories are Faisal Husseini, Hanan Ashrawi and Zakaria al-Agha.

They are members of the unofficial panel of six advisers that accompanied the Palestinian negotiating team to Madrid, but not of the delegation itself, which had a cordial first round of direct talks with the Israelis in Madrid on Nov. 2.

According to *Ma'ariv*, the 25 demands are:

— An Israeli commitment to fully apply the Fourth Geneva Convention of 1949 to the territories it administers.

— The fulfillment of UN Security Council resolutions relating to the return of Palestinians expelled from the territories.

— Suspension of the Emergency Regulations, which are a holdover from the British Mandate of Palestine.

— A reduction of the Israel Defence Force presence in all Palestinian cities, towns and refugee camps.

— The granting of all members of the Palestinian National Council who reside in the territories the right to travel to and participate in all sessions of the PNC, which is the Palestine Liberation Organization's parliamentary body.

— The release of all political prisoners.

— An end to torture in Israeli prisons.

— An end to restrictions on the freedom of activity and political organizations in the territories, and the cancellation of military decrees related to those restrictions.

— An end to censorship and the bans on newspapers, books, magazines, songs and plays.

— The reopening of Palestinian universities, colleges, institutions, organizations and unions that have been closed by Israeli edict.

— Restoration of the local town councils elected in 1976 but removed by the Israeli administration.

— An end to the use of provocative phrases such as "Judea and Samaria" and "terrorist organizations" by official Israeli elements.

— Cancellation of taxes introduced by the Israeli authorities since 1967.

— Return of lands and property confiscated from their legal owners.

— An end to restrictions on movement in the territories and Jerusalem.

— Facilitation of family reunification and an end to restrictions on travel abroad.

— An end to restrictions on exports from the territories and on the development of projects under the auspices of United Nations agencies.

— An end to the destruction of homes and cancellation of restrictions on construction in the territories.

— Public disclosure by Israel of the accounts and budgets allocated to the territories.

— An end to restrictions in the territories on the activities of international organizations, such as the International Red Cross and the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees.

— Evacuation of Jewish settlers from the St. John's Hospice in East Jerusalem, Dir al-Sultan and the Hebron Tomb of the Patriarchs/Matriarchs.

— Closure of the Nafha and Ketziot detention camps.

— An end to restrictions on investments in the territories by individuals and institutions.

— Cancellation of decrees and laws that prohibit displaying the Palestinian flag.

— Cancellation of Israeli government control over the East Jerusalem Electric Co.

Berman faces major decision

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Dmitri Berman, the young Soviet Jew who took refuge in Canada's Moscow Embassy more than 10 months ago, faces the biggest decision of his life.

He must decide if he will accept Soviet assurances of his safety and leave the protection of the embassy to stand trial once again on the charge of murdering a Red Army soldier from Moldavia in the Ukraine.

"No one else can make the decision for him and no one will take responsibility to tell him to leave the embassy," said Wendy Eisen who recently returned from a trip to the Soviet Union.

Eisen was reporting to a meeting of the committee for Soviet Jewry, Ontario region, Canadian Jewish Congress. She is co-chairman of the national Soviet Jewry committee.

She said she learned that the case is now in the hands of the Procurator General of the Ukraine who insists that Berman make himself available for a new trial as the prosecution has new evidence.

Luitjens loses his citizenship

OTTAWA —

The federal cabinet has stripped Jacob Luitjens of his Canadian citizenship, paving the way for deportation proceedings to remove the former Nazi collaborator from Canada.

The move came two weeks after Federal Court Judge Frank Collier ruled that Luitjens obtained his citizenship fraudulently and by concealing pertinent information about his 1948 conviction in absentia for collaboration in his native Holland.

Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai Brith Canada lauded the move, which had been recommended by Citizenship Minister Gerry Weiner, saying they hoped it would stand as a precursor to other war crimes prosecutions.

Name Game

There is a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN.

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RAPHAEL — ISRAEL — GOTTLIEB

There is a large body of theocentric names (which are centred on God). Surnames in that category usually begin or end with the word "el" or "yah" (meaning God).

For example:

Eliezer (God will help); Raphael (God will heal); Samuel (God remembers); Michael (incomparable, who is like unto God); Israel (wrestled with God); Jonathan (gift of God); Nathaniel (gift of God); Jermiah (God will uplift).

Some of these Hebrew names are found in German translations like:

Gottlieb — from Yedidiah (Beloved of God).

Helfgott — from Eliezer or Azriel (God will help).

Gottdenker — from Zechariah (God will remember).

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*Loblaws' President **David Nichol** and his wife **Terri** made their home available to host one of six UJA Major Gift Events. "We are most grateful to Dave and Terri for their friendship," said Campaign Co-Chairman **Paul Morton**. Left to right: Morton, **Bernie Ghert**, Major Gift Division Co-Chairman, Nichol; **Neil Nisker**, Division Co-Chairman, and **Michael Bregman**, who co-hosted the event.*

IN THE LIMELIGHT: MAJOR GIFT EVENTS

The focus is definitely on the six different events, Nov. 6 through Nov. 20, replacing the traditional, tried and true Major Gifts Dinner. The **Division** is chaired by **Neil Nisker** and **Bernie Ghert**, and Nisker, whose area is investments, uses business terms to explain: "The formal dinner is labor-intensive and capital-intensive (meaning, it costs a good deal and takes lots and lots of work). So we decided to take a more creative approach, more informal, in a series of gatherings ..." Each has its own venue and hosts, among them great names in Canadian business. The program features one of Israel's most colorful speakers, **Dan Schueftan** (he's got this theory about the carrot and the stick), always stimulating, always relevant ...

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UJA Telethons have proven to be very effective , in the current campaign, so naturally, more telethons have now been scheduled ... But there is an educational component, and a good one, too. Before getting on the phones, canvassers will be able to listen to an interesting speaker, over breakfast.

Three telethons are set for Sunday mornings:

Nov. 24: With **Bernie Farber,** on "Anti-Semitism and neo-Nazism."

Dec. 1: With **Rabbi Philip Scheim,** "The Meaning of Chanukah."

Dec. 8: On the Mid-East, speaker to be determined.

That evening. **Young Leadership** (under 40 only, please) will celebrate the last day of Chanukah, and work the phones as well ...

DINITZ TO TORONTO

Simcha Dinitz, the popular, dynamic Chairman of the Jewish Agency, who has raised the Agency's profile to a new level, is coming to Toronto for two days, Nov. 24-25 ... UJA insiders claim that "he owes us one," on account of his last-minute cancellation back in October ... He had good reason, though, what with the coup in the Soviet Union, and 80 Agency emissaries spread all over that huge country ...

EMOTIONAL MOMENT

Rose Wolfe, Chancellor of the University of Toronto, distinguished leader in the Jewish community, received the Woman of Valour award of the **Women's Business and Professional Network**. Introducing her to the audience at **Beth Tikvah Synagogue** was her daughter **Elizabeth**, who continues the family tradition of caring and involvement. She recalled memories from years past, such as the help given by Rose to Jewish orphans who came to Toronto after World War II ...

GOOD NEWS, BUT ...

UJA mood is distinctly upbeat, and Campaign Co-Chairmen **Judy Scheininger** and **Paul Morton** are delighted with a 25% overall increase, which has actually edged up in the past few days ... Some divisions show amazing results. But there are still thousands of cards to be covered, and time, as the saying goes, is really of the essence ... Keenly aware of the need for money is **Steve Ain**, the Federation's executive director, who says, "We have promises to keep, not to break!" The threat of broken promises is around the corner, he says, and a magnificent Jewish community such as Toronto cannot allow it to happen!

APPLAUSE FOR SHAMIR

Meeting in Jerusalem during the Madrid Peace Conference was the **Board of Governors** of the Jewish Agency, including seven (!) delegates from Toronto. Reporting to UJA leadership, **Schuyler (Skippy) Sigel** said discussions were put on hold to watch a direct broadcast of Prime Minister Shamir's address. At the end, there was a standing ovation. The Board's main item of discussion: next year's budget ... The pressures are enormous. Fact is, the **Canadian delegation** consisted of past Toronto UJA Campaign Chairmen, **Phil Granovsky, Julia & Henry Koschitzky, Allan Offman, Jack Rose** and **Gerry Sheff**.

***NOV. 6 EVENT:** left to right, Neil Nisker, Dan Schueftan, David Fingold, host of the event who made his home available, and Lawrence Bloomberg, co-host..*

AN EXTRAORDINARY YEAR

Jehan Sadat expects peace negotiations to succeed

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Anwar Sadat's widow predicts that the Middle East peace process launched by the Madrid conference will ultimately succeed.

"At the end, they'll reach peace," said Jehan Sadat at a press conference, following a luncheon address sponsored by Enroute Universal Speakers Forum.

In her formal speech, Sadat's wife recalled her husband's historic trip to Jerusalem in November 1977, which she said she supported unreservedly, and spoke about current prospects for a peaceful resolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Describing Madrid as "one of the last opportunities for peace," she expressed optimism that Israel and the Arabs would come to terms. "They will have peace," she declared. "The Palestinians will have their homeland and Israel its security."

Calling for a settlement based on compromise and flexibility, she said, "Both sides have to give something, and they will."

There are still many obstacles ahead of the negotiators. But once they "sit, shake hands and talk," they will work out their differences.

Sadat, who commutes between Egypt and the United States as a visiting lecturer in Arab literature, drew a link between peace, prosperity and freedom.

She called on the Arab world to emulate Sadat's "vision, farsightedness and courage."

In an oblique reference to the Syrian delegation at the Madrid conference, she criticized Arab representatives who had refused to shake hands with their Israeli counterparts.

Praising her husband as "one of the greatest leaders of the century," Sadat said he had been fully aware of the price he might have to pay for trying to make peace with Israel. "He felt it was a sacred mission."

Sadat was assassinated a decade ago by Islamic fundamentalists opposed to his policy toward Israel.

She said she supported "every step he took for peace." She recalled having told him, "This is the best thing you've ever done in your life, after marrying me.

Jehan Sadat [Alron photo]

"I'm very proud he paved the way, even if he paid with his life," she added.

Sadat said he did not go to Jerusalem to mislead Israel but to offer it real peace.

She reminded her audience that Sadat had been greatly maligned by his enemies. But his "courage, wisdom and compassion are now seen as the best route to peace.

"He crossed a vast chasm of animosity to Jerusalem. Enough blood had been spilled."

Sadat, she went on to say, flew to Jerusalem with "an open heart and mind, and didn't pay attention to fanatics."

His goals were two-fold — "to tear down the psychological barrier and to cut the Gordian knot of procedural difficulties."

She said the then Israeli prime minister, Menachem Begin, had been "difficult because he was doing the best for Israel." She conceded that Sadat had also been "difficult."

Reminiscing about her first trip to Israel, Sadat said she had visited a school in Haifa and had been delighted to see children's drawings of doves of peace, rather than "pictures of planes and rockets."

Sadat, who holds a doctorate in Arabic literature, has worked to eradicate world illiteracy and help disabled Egyptian war veterans and their families. She is also active in the struggle for women's rights in Egypt.

A Lawyer Replies...

By
JOHN SYRTASH

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Question: My spouse and I are separating. I want joint custody of our two children, aged 7 and 9. Is this normally difficult to obtain and is it worthwhile? What does joint custody entail?

Answer: Unless both parties agree to joint custody, Canadian courts have traditionally resisted forcing separated spouses to share major decisions affecting their children. Presumably, if the parties continue an acrimonious relationship after separation, then their children may feel insecure if decisions concerning them were always open to debate.

However, much depends upon what you mean by joint custody. If both parties continue to reside in the matrimonial home, although separated, the courts may initially refuse to vest custody in either party, at least until there has been a thorough court-appointed investigation of the child's needs and the spouses respective ability to satisfy those needs.

Pending such an investigation or pending trial, the courts sometimes choose not to "prejudice" the legal position of either spouse and remain silent on questions of temporary or interim "custody." In such situations the parties by law share custody equally and either party has the right to determine questions of schooling, health, education, vacations, mobility decisions, religious affiliation or diet.

Alternatively, the court may well pick an "interim" residence for the child but again, refuse to order that the party with whom the child is ordered to live has "custody."

This type of judicial silence has become a recommended option by several assessors, Official Guardian representatives and lawyers, pending investigations or final courtroom decisions. The option became popular as a final resolution to bitter disputes where mediators (in particular) attempt to avoid embarrassing or insulting the parent with whom the child will not be living.

The major problem with such methods is that if the non-residential parent (the "live-out" parent) chooses to act unilaterally by fleeing from the children's normal residence with the children, then the parent left behind has no immediate recourse.

If she goes to the police or to a provincial government enforcement of custody orders agency, she will not normally be assisted because her court order or agreement does not recite the word "custody."

It may only say that she has "daily care and control" or "residential care and control" or it may stipulate nothing. Precious time is then lost while a lawyer for the parent "left behind" runs to obtain an emergency order that finally uses the word "custody" to identify her exclusive rights.

You should also be aware that aside from such practical enforcement issues that arise in abduction cases (increasing alarmingly but still rare) the rights of a custodial parent have been seriously eroded over the past few years. In the past a parent who had "custody" could, in most cases move to a different city with her children and prevent the other parent from introducing his or her religious affiliation to the child without the custodial parent's consent.

However, recently the access parent has benefited from the enactment of Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Courts are now increasingly giving access parents the right to introduce their form of religion to a child even if the custodial parent does not consent.

The courts are also becoming less reluctant to apply any "rule" as to what happens when the custodial parent wants to move to a different city, province or country without the consent of the access parent except for the vague rule of "best interests." If the access parent can show that it is not in the child's "best interest" to make such a move, then a custodial parent can be stopped from doing so much more easily than, say, 10 years ago.

Finally, access parents in most Canadian jurisdictions already have the right to review their child's health, dental and educational records, once again, without the consent of the custodial parent.

In 1991, I am frankly beginning to wonder if there is any real difference between an access parent who has joint custody and an access parent who doesn't. In both cases, the rights of the custodial parent have been almost eroded. In many cases the difference is probably more psychological in nature than practically useful.

Your better focus might be to investigate parental responsibilities rather than rights. Who takes the children to the doctor? Who takes the children for their piano lessons, soccer practice or tennis excursions? I believe the future will be more concerned with these issues than the artificial problem of "custody."

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Jewish education's priority is stressed at conference

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Community leaders may say Jewish education is a priority as a key to Jewish continuity, but getting that ideal translated into dollars and making teachers feel good about their jobs were recurring themes of the National Education Conference, sponsored by the Canadian Jewish Congress and the Canadian Zionist Federation and held recently in Montreal.

"Jewish education must be a top priority of every community; it's the best investment we can make, because without it we have no future," said chairman Sydney Shapiro.

With modern families often unable to transmit the Jewish heritage, teachers in Jewish schools have the task of not only providing knowledge, but of instilling in the student a personal relationship with Jewish values and acting as role models, said keynote speaker Jonathan Woocher of New York, executive vice-president of Jewish Education Services of North America.

Yet, there is a "demoralization" among teachers because "Jewish education is seen at the periphery of what counts in Jewish life." Teachers want more respect from the community for their profession and a sense of working in partnership, he indicated.

With the increasing diversity within the Jewish community and the challenge of assimilation, the teacher's job has become more difficult.

"The vast majority of educators care deeply, they are not indifferent...They want recognition from lay people and parents that they are engaged in a serious, sacred, demanding endeavor — in concrete ways."

That means not necessarily higher salaries, but professional development, better resources and working conditions, and community honors.

Another keynote speaker, Bernard Reisman, director of Brandeis University's Hornstein Program in Jewish Education, lamented the low number of lay people at the conference, particularly of officials of federations, which are "increasingly receptive to funding Jewish education," compared to 10 or even five years ago.

He agreed that teachers have become a "surrogate extended family or organic Jewish community".

Ideally, teachers, administrators and community leaders should be working in collaboration, he said.

In remarks at the conference closing, CJC executive director Jack Silverstone said today it is not sufficient for Jewish schools to merely transmit "a warm feeling for Yiddishkeit."

Jewish school graduates should be able "to make the case for Israel and the Jewish people." Fundraising ability is not enough.

"When you are advocating on any issue, with an anti-Semite, a philo-Semite or anything in between, the defining idiom of a Jew today is Israel."

He said he has been disturbed to find Arab leaders in Israel more knowledgeable than Diaspora Zionist leaders.

Silverstone also advised Jewish educators to make contacts with other ethnic communities that run their own schools. "Building bridges can be very useful. They would welcome us and it can benefit us."

While the focus of the conference was the day schools, workshops also examined the supplementary schools and informal education, such as the role of camps, youth organizations, community centres, family retreats and Israel trips.

Reisman said supplementary schools should be recognized as serving a significant segment of the community and as a complement to the days schools, "not something we must apologize for."

In workshops, such issues as community and government funding of Jewish education, attracting and retaining students, relations with laypersons and parents, transmitting Jewish values, small communities, teacher development and Jewish education for children with special needs were discussed.

Education, constitution linked

By
DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

Multiculturalism Minister Gerry Weiner warned that the "narrow and sometimes ugly new nationalism" around the world that "finds expression...in hostility towards others, especially towards minorities and those deemed foreigners," could also happen in Canada.

"We have nothing to learn from such societies," Weiner told 200 delegates at the recent National Education Conference, "except what may befall us if we abandon the attempt to live together and to understand one another.

"That is why I take this opportunity today to implore you — as educators, as Jews — to get involved in this constitutional process."

Weiner's warning was part of a 25-minute speech in which the Progressive Conservative member of Parliament tied together the issues of Jewish education and the future of Canada, first stressing Jewish education's importance and later describing the vital need for the delegates, "as educators, as Jews," to play an active role in determining Canada's future.

Canada's only Jewish cabinet minister began by saying the issue of Jewish education involves all Jews, not just parents, teacher and children.

Gerry Weiner

Weiner rhetorically wondered what the future of Jewish education, "strong" now, will be when taking into account such issues as an increasingly secular society, high costs, small communities' limited resources, and the pressures children face growing up.

Preservation of Jewish identity and Canadian identity, Weiner then said, while not "strictly speaking...an issue of Jewish education," are both elements affecting "the future of Canadian Jewry."

Weiner devoted the whole second part of his speech to making a strong plea for Canadian unity, saying the choice will be to "go forward together, renewed, with new confidence," or "simply drift apart or split abruptly, perhaps with even greater animosity and ill-will than some express today..."

He called on conference delegates to stand up for their identities as Canadians as much as they do so as Jews and to take an active part in the constitutional reform process as put forward by the federal government's proposals, called Shaping Canada's Future Together.

Part of "building that consensus from the ground up" is for Canadians to "enter a dialogue" with co-citizens through the Castonguay-Dobbie parliamentary committee travelling across Canada "to report the opinions of Canadians."

Weiner said because of their commitment to citizenship and pluralism since arriving in Canada, Canadian Jews must have a say in defining Canadian identity and what a "Canada Clause" should include.

It was at this point in the speech that Weiner said an "ugly new nationalism" could sprout up in Canada if the constitutional crisis is not resolved.

Weiner said he wanted to see, "my heritage transmitted not only to my grandchildren but... to their children as well...to see them emerge as...leaders in our community...leaders in the Canada of tomorrow."

Student dropouts cause of concern

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Although statistics are vague, Jewish day school officials in Montreal and Toronto are becoming concerned by the number of dropouts, that is, students who switch to non-Jewish schools. The day schools are under increasing pressure to provide top-notch education, competitive with other private schools.

A session at the recent National Education Conference was devoted to the issue of student retention.

Jay Broadbar-Nemzer, assistant community planning for the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, termed dropouts a "significant problem." Hard data on the issue is limited, but that appears to be "no one dominant reason" why students leave Jewish schools in the Toronto area.

The most recent study, conducted in 1986-87 by the Toronto Board of Jewish Education, of 188 families that had pulled out their children between grades 6-10 found that the most cited reasons were the quality of the general, not Jewish, education and its teachers.

"These parents expected a superior general education. They saw the day schools as elite private schools for Jewish children, rather than Jewish parochial schools," he said.

Tuition, the double workload, "school rigidity" and the pressure on students were other reasons offered.

In both Toronto and Montreal, the most significant dropout occurs after the completion of elementary school. Many parents apparently feel their children have had enough Jewish studies at that point, or feel other high schools can better prepare them for university.

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Syrian Jews face restrictions

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —
The chairman of Canadian Jewish Congress's National Task Force for Syrian Jews is forcefully refuting comments made by Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa at the Mideast peace talks in Madrid recently.

Judy Feld Carr says al-Sharaa's suggestion that Syria's 4,300 Jews are treated as well as the rest of the population "is simply untrue."

Syria's Jews are under constant surveillance by a special branch of the feared secret police, Carr says. They face restrictions in several professions and cannot vote. All communication to and from the Jewish community is monitored.

Carr says Jews cannot travel as families. When a Jew does travel, he or she must leave a large financial deposit. Jewish emigration is forbidden, but all other Syrians are allowed to leave and travel freely, she adds.

Jews are harassed and live under a pall of fear, she says: "This is a hostage community."

According to Carr, al-Sharaa told a press conference in Madrid that all Jews who left Syria "because of Israeli provocation" can return and that "Jews have lived with us for centuries without discrimination. We have been kind to them."

Carr points out that there are six Jews languishing in Syrian prisons, all without being charged: The brothers Eli and Selim Swed were sentenced last May to 6½ years in jail, after having spent 3½ years behind bars on undisclosed charges.

Subhe and Said Kastika, also brothers, have been in jail since last May, also on unspecified charges.

Joseph Sabato and Rachamon Darwish have been imprisoned in Aleppo since last September.

Syria is a signator to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which guarantees all citizens the right to free travel and emigration, Carr adds.

In his speech to the peace conference, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir blasted the Syrians for their human rights record.

"Syria's representative wants us and the world to believe that his country is a model of freedom and protection of human rights, including those of Jews. Such a statement stretches incredulity to infinite proportions.

"The ancient Jewish community in Syria has been exposed to cruel oppression, torture and discrimination of the worst kind," Shamir said. Syrian Jews "are living in perpetual terror."

Some recent developments on Canada's role in Syrian Jewry:

- According to correspondence between Carr and External Affairs minister Barbara McDougall, Canada intervened on the Sweds' behalf following their trial but before their sentencing. Canada's ambassador to Syria, Martin Collacott, appealed for clemency last June. McDougall pointed out to Carr that the Sweds' sentence could have been worse. She added that the brothers "are receiving the highest priority treatment" by our embassy in Syria.
- External Affairs officials raised the question of Syrian Jewry when Syria's ambassador to Canada, Waled Al Moualen, presented his credentials two months ago.
- On Nov. 1 in the House of Commons, Liberal MP Lloyd Axworthy raised the matter of Syrian Jewry, stressing the Sweds' plight. McDougall said she would be "happy to look into it again and make further representations."

Syria: Jews cannot go to Israel

LOS ANGELES (JTA) —
If Syria is contemplating measures to build confidence with Israel, they do not include extraditing a notorious war criminal or withdrawing a viciously anti-Semitic book, according to the official spokesman of the Syrian delegation to the Madrid peace talks.

In an interview with a representative of the Los Angeles-based Simon Wiesenthal Centre, spokesman Mohammed al-Jannan also ruled out letting an estimated 4,000 Jews remaining in Syria leave for the United States or Israel until "after peace."

And he reiterated Syria's refusal to attend planned multilateral talks between Israel and the Arab countries on regional problems.

Shimon Samuels, director of the Wiesenthal Center's European office, obtained the interview in Madrid

Asked whether Syria would allow its remaining Jews to leave for the United States, Jannan said, "We have

Farouk al-Sharaa

no problem. The Jews are prosperous businessmen in Syria — but let the Americans take them."

"Could they go to Israel?" asked Samuels.

"No, Israel is our enemy," responded Jannan.

"But if you boycott the multilateral talks, peace is not nearby. Can they leave now for the U.S.?" asked Samuels.

"No," answered Jannan, "only after peace."

In Madrid, Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa claimed Friday that "Jews have lived for centuries among us without any repression" or "any sort of provocation."

He added: "We have no objections if all those Syrian Jews who left from Syria because of the provocation of Israel and encouragement of Israel (want) to return back to Syria."

Jannan also proved unenthusiastic when asked if Syria might withdraw *The Matzah of Zion*, a book written by Syrian Defence Minister Mustafa Tlas that resurrects the blood libel against Jews with gory graphics.

"Have you read the book?" asked the spokesman. "We do not allow anti-Semitism; we are a tolerant society. Read the book — it is true. Read it, then come back to me."

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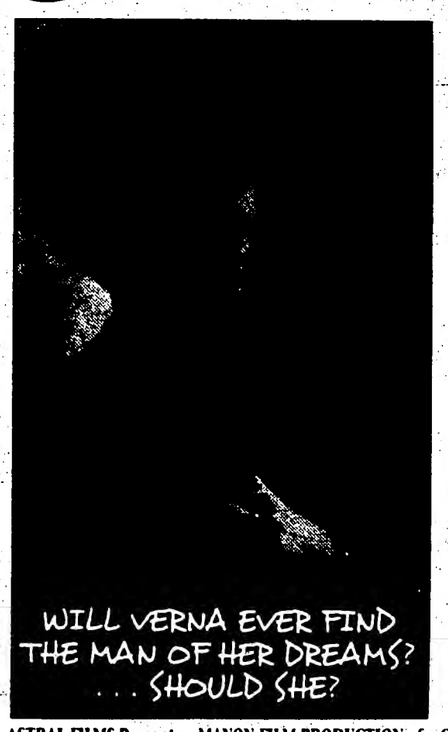

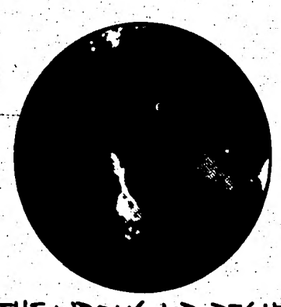
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Family has questions about Maxwell's death

By
FRANK RASKY

NEW YORK —

Robert Maxwell, once a penniless yeshiva *bocher* called Laiby Hoch, rose out of the Holocaust to become the Jewish Citizen Kane. He built a multi-billion-dollar publishing empire on plenty of brassy controversy and bravura chutzpah, and three guiding principles.

The media mogul, whose reach embraced three continents, said: "I'm hard as nails when I need to get something done and I never back down."

Another credo was: "I've never worried what the Establishment believes about me or doesn't. I don't give a damn."

And he also said: "I was born Jewish and I shall die Jewish."

The sometimes generous, frequently contradictory, and always flamboyant newspaper baron died last week at 68 amid the melodrama and mystery that he enjoyed in real life.

He was buried Sunday on Jerusalem's Mount of Olives in a state funeral attended by President Chaim Herzog, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, and Britain's Archbishop of Canterbury.

Herzog delivered the eulogy for the multimillionaire publisher who had invested $300 million in Israel. "He scaled the heights of human endeavor. Kings and princes waited on him. Many admired him. Many disliked him. But none was indifferent to him," Herzog said.

Maxwell's widow, Elisabeth, and their seven sons and daughters were at the graveside for the traditional Jewish burial service. Kaddish was recited by Maxwell's longtime attorney and personal friend, fellow Holocaust survivor Samuel Pisar.

He was the sole passenger holidaying aboard his 180-foot, white-carpeted, $25 million yacht — formerly owned by Saudi Arabian arms dealer Adnan Khashoggi — when his 13-member crew noticed that he had vanished.

Twelve hours later, the body of the 6-foot-tall, 290-pound billionaire was found floating naked in the Atlantic Ocean off Spain's Grand Canary Island.

Carefully qualifying his words, the Canary Islands chief prosecutor, Juan Guerra Manrique, announced on Spanish television that Maxwell likely died of "something like a heart attack."

"The provisional judgment of the pathologist is of natural death before falling into the water," said Luis Gutierrez Sanjuan, the judge investigating the death. "It wasn't death by drowning."

The chief pathologist, Carlos Lopez de Lamela, said that the final autopsy results would be known in about a week.

But the family is not satisfied with the coroner's preliminary report and is conducting a private investigation. Maxwell's personal physician, Dr. Joseph Joseph, told *The Sunday Times* of London that he doubted that verdict because the publisher had no history of coronary problems.

"Every avenue will be explored . . . all hypotheses are being considered," said Pisar. When asked if this included murder, Pisar responded, "I assume everything."

The bizarre death of the bigger-than-life magnate, variously nicknamed "Cap'n Bob" and the "Bouncing Czech," staggered Maxwell's international communications empire, already reeling from debts estimated by the *London Financial Times* to be more than $3.75 billion.

Maxwell's properties include the saucy London tabloid, the *Daily Mirror*; the former strike-crippled *New York Daily News* which was losing $750,000 a day when Maxwell bought it last March on an alleged "ego trip"; Israel's second largest daily newspaper, *Ma'ariv*; and the Toronto-based book publishing firm named Collier-Macmillan before he acquired it earlier this year and renamed it Maxwell Macmillan of Canada.

Robert Maxwell

Some analysts speculated that Maxwell might have been brooding about accusations published a month ago by American author Seymour Hersh in the book, *The Samson Option*. Hersh alleged that Maxwell was closely linked with Mossad, the Israeli secret service. "Ludicrous, a total invention," exclaimed Maxwell and sued the author for libel.

Maxwell was indeed a paradoxical figure. Despite his immense wealth, he served as a Labor MP and his British newspapers have consistently championed the Labor Party.

"I am a socialist," he once said, "because until the age of 8 I had no shoes; because as a child, I never forgot the pang of cold and hunger; because I was too poorly clothed; and received only three years education."

Nevertheless, though he was an avowed socialist, he was on close terms with Likud leader and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

"Maxwell was a passionate friend of Israel and we are sorry about this heavy tragedy," Shamir lamented last week. "God bless his memory."

The beetle-browed, bowtied Maxwell, who liked flying via private helicopter to meet global celebrities, was born to Orthodox parents in a Czech village. His father, Mechel Hoch, was a trader in cattle and pelts. His mother, Hannah, was an intellectual and a member of the Czech Social Democratic Party.

Enrolled in a Bratislava yeshiva after his bar mitzvah in 1936, he broke with traditionalism two years later and began selling trinkets on the street. He returned home in 1939 after Bratislava became a Nazi protectorate.

His mother and four other members of his immediate family died in the Auschwitz concentration camp, and his father is believed to have been shot either there or during transport to the camp. Only two of Maxwell's sisters survived.

He escaped the Holocaust by making his way to France and joining a group of Czechoslovak volunteers in the French Foreign Legion in March 1940.

After the French defeat that year, he escaped again, being evacuated with other Czechoslovak troops to Britain. He later claimed he learned English in only six weeks. Soon after his arrival he joined the British Army as a volunteer and earned a battlefield commission as lieutenant. His talent for languages then led him into intelligence work.

It was on such an assignment to Paris, just after its liberation in July of 1944 that he met the woman who would become his wife, a French Huguenot named Elisabeth Meynard.

Proposing to her in December, he promised that he would win a Military Cross, recreate a family, make a fortune, and became Prime Minister of England. "And I shall make you happy until the end of my days," he said.

The first promise, at least, he kept in 1945, winning the Military Cross for "heroism in the face of enemy action" at the Dutch-German border. When the war ended, he was discharged as captain, a title he insisted on using in civilian life for 20 years afterward. He also acquired his name, Ian Robert Maxwell, at the suggestion of a Scottish officer friend.

Maxwell set out to make his fortune and succeeded almost immediately when he hooked up with publisher Ferdinand Springer, who gave Maxwell access to his backlog of German scientific papers. Maxwell founded Pergamon Press, which overnight virtually cornered the market on scientific journals.

In the early 1960s, he shrewdly persuaded Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev to give Pergamon exclusive access to Soviet scientific data for publication abroad.

The epitaphs for Maxwell will be many but likely none better than a few of his "Maxwellpropisms."

"He has made his apple pie bed and he must lie in it," he told someone once.

"Jerusalem wasn't built in a day," Maxwell quipped on another occasion.

"You are running around like chickens without necks," he once told someone else.

But he sounded as though he had a very sane head on his shoulders when he said in an interview in Israel recently:

"Israel cannot rely on London, Washington, Moscow, or anybody else except themselves. We have been disappointed too often. The Holocaust has taught us never to trust anybody."

Germans demonstrate

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Neo-Nazis and other right-wing extremists tried to stage counter-rallies. But they were vastly outnumbered by anti-Nazi crowds, who bloodied them in street clashes.

Nevertheless, the internal security service puts the number of neo-Nazi activists in Germany at 40,000. Two new neo-Nazi terror groups have just been uncovered.

Israel Singer, secretary-general of the World Jewish Congress, who was in Berlin to observe the Kristallnacht anniversary, suggested that neo-Nazism in Germany would hardly be a problem if the authorities attacked it with as much zeal as they do the crimes of the old East German Communists.

Neo-Nazis also marched in Leipzig, in eastern Germany. In nearby Halle, about 400 neo-Nazis marched, screaming, "Sieg heil!" and "Foreigners out!" They ended their parade a few hundred yards from where some 2,000 anti-Nazis had gathered.

Politicians have been arguing back and forth over the problem of asylum-seekers. The governing Christian Democratic Union would like to amend the constitution, which presently grants haven in Germany to anyone seeking it.

The opposition Social Democratic Party prefers less drastic measures.

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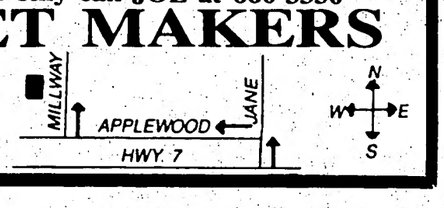

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CJN Exclusive

Arie Eliav

Israeli author, lecturer and educator Arie Lova Eliav visited Toronto and Montreal recently as a guest of Canadian Friends of Peace Now. Eliav, known as one of the more dovish Knesset members of the Labor Party, is a native of Moscow who immigrated to Israel as a child in 1924. In his storied career, he was a lecturer and fellow at the Centre for International Affairs at Harvard University and was involved in talks with Palestinian leaders in the mid-1970s. He served as deputy minister of immigration and absorption from 1967-70 and from 1977-79, sat as chairman of Sheli, the Israel Peace Party. Between 1982-87, Eliav helped negotiate the exchange of Israeli POWs held in Lebanon and in 1988, was elected to the 12th Knesset, the same year he was awarded the Prize of Israel, the country's highest civilian honor. CJN reporter Paul Lungen spoke with Eliav during his visit to Toronto.

CJN: *We've now seen the main parties to the Arab/Israeli conflict sit down and talk face to face. Are you optimistic about the future of the peace talks?*

Eliav: I am cautiously, very cautiously, optimistic in the long run. The very fact that the two sides are sitting is already sort of a breakthrough and the very meeting is already a message. The Israeli-Arab conflict is 100 years old. It started with the beginning of Zionism in the 19th century and then after the formation of the State of Israel we had five other wars with our Arab neighbor enemies. And the fact we are sitting with them eyeball to eyeball is a very important step in itself.

Now the road to signing a peace treaty will be long, tedious and with ups and downs definitely. It's the first step and as the Chinese say every thousand mile road begins with one mile, and the two sides walked a mile in Madrid in the 1,000-mile road.

CJN: *What about the meetings between the Israeli delegation and the Palestinian delegation .*

Eliav: It's still a thousand mile road and that's the second mile. So we have still hundreds of miles to walk. But it's the second mile and very important because the fuse of this whole ticking time bomb is the Palestinian/Israeli problem. Less than the Syrian, less than the others, it's the fuse and you have to defuse that and it will have an impact on the other side as well. If we and the Palestinians come to an interim agreement, the other sides will have less of a complaint because the complaint of all the Arabs is that Israel has to compromise and to solve the Palestinian problem. So it's the crux of the matter.

CJN: *What about the Syrian position?*

Eliav: I think from a public relations point of view they made a grave mistake, they shot themselves in the foot by their foreign minister brandishing the photo of Shamir. He happened to have a picture of Shamir in his pocket. . . It ricocheted from their point of view. But they are making another grave mistake for themselves by not realizing that they are isolating themselves from other Arab countries and from the Palestinians. That's one.

The other thing is that it seems that Gorbachev, on the request of Bush and Baker, talked with Assad and I think gave him a piece of his mind because the Russians are the only supplier of heavy armament to the Syrian army.

The Cold War is over and the supplies of arms to Syria will not be what it was. And it seems they haven't realized the Cold War is over and they are there alone with only one superpower, America, calling the tune in the Middle East. And the Soviets are co-operating and the Syrians have to wake up.

CJN: *It was Menachem Begin of Likud that negotiated the peace with the Egyptians and now it's Likud again negotiating with the Arabs. If something positive comes out of it, where does that put Labor? Are they going to be in the political wilderness for years to come?*

Eliav: So you want us to put a bomb in Madrid?. . . That's the way it was after Sadat and Begin made peace, so Likud won another term. Let them win 10 more terms if only they'll bring total, complete peace with the Palestinians, Jordanians, Syrians.

You know a little Yiddish? There's a phrase, "farginin und farginin"...you have something good, OK have it.

So if Shamir will get half a Nobel prize (like Begin) it's all right with me. Labor has said that it will give Shamir a safety net if he goes on the road to peace. It will give him a safety net so his government will not fall in case the extreme right will renege. The extreme right does not like what's happening. I like it. Sharon doesn't like it. I think he may go on a hunger strike.

CJN: *He's planning new settlements. . .*

Eliav: He's like a bull in a china shop. It's nothing new. He did it while Begin was talking with Sadat. It's not the first time. Sharon was putting new settlements near Yamit (in the Sinai). Then he destroyed them, all of them.

CJN: *Do you think this is something he's doing without Shamir's approval, that he's trying to create his own momentum in the opposite direction?*

Eliav: By now, yes. It is very difficult to see how they'll bridge the gap between them. He's accusing Shamir the way some Kahane people accuse me. They call him terrible names and say Shamir is selling out. The amazing thing is that Shamir doesn't throw him out of the government. But Shamir has his own reasons, he wants that he'll boil in his own stew inside Likud.

So where does it put Labor? If there is peace, the future of Labor will be decided on other issues, economic issues, social issues. But it's way, way into the future. But if Shamir fails and we have elections in November, I'm not in euphoria. If he makes three miles and then he makes six miles back and then the talks will break — then Labor will come to the voters to let them decide if they want to continue with this process with compromising or let the whole thing break.

CJN: *Do you foresee what the final result will be? What would be your plan, your view of a solution?*

Eliav: I've been saying for the last 20 years we have to see in the future the majority of the West Bank and the whole of Gaza given back to the Palestinians/Jordanians so they will create some kind of federation, comprising those territories that we will return plus the Kingdom of Jordan, some kind of federation or confederacy. It's up to them.

With one condition, in my plan, the dovish plan, that anything we return after long negotiations would be totally demilitarized and permanently inspected by Israeli army teams, maybe in partnership with Jordanian army teams and I think eventually we'll ask for maybe American, Canadian or other inspectors as well. The Canadians are all over the place any time there is a peacekeeping entity.

With the Syrians we'll have to come to some sort of even greater measure of demilitarization of the Golan. We'll recognize their sovereignty on the Golan but it will be demilitarized even to a greater extent and inspected even more heavily by Israeli inspectors and maybe we'll ask for a permanent presence of some third parties, maybe again American, Canadian or maybe some European countries. A permanent presence on the Golan.

So that will be the compromise, and for sure that's only when we have full peace like we have with Egypt, meaning full diplomatic relations, trade relations, open borders, flow of labor, tourism. It's only for that we'd be ready for compromise.

CJN: *There are some people who look at the Bush and Baker team and say these men are not the friends of Israel that past American administrations have been and they're worried that when the crunch comes they'll be willing to put the pressure on Israel more than on the Arabs to make a compromise.*

Eliav: It's not true. All American presidents after the [1967] Six Day War from Johnson on were telling their Israeli counterparts that America will continue helping Israel, but Israel is Israel in the Six Day borders with some minor adjustments. It's not a new policy. All American presidents have being saying that the settlements are a hindrance to peace.

Only Bush and Baker are stressing it more because the situation has gotten much more dangerous before and after the Gulf War with all these modern armaments and unconventional armaments. They want to keep the pace of the American policy going. It's ridiculous to say, as some Israelis have said, that they are anti-Semites. It's ridiculous. It's biting the hand that gives you aid.

CJN: *There was a big controversy before the peace conference about freezing the settlements and loan guarantees were tied to it. Is it healthy for Israel to be so dependent on one power at this stage for economic and military support?*

Eliav: The answer is no. But for a long time we will be dependent. The United States is the only superpower and the only global sheriff. The other thing is that we are now absorbing the first million Jewish immigrants from the Soviet Union and we have to have international assistance and most of it will come from the United States.

Eventually the main problem of the Israeli economy and society is to draw private capital and investors from the United States, Canada, Europe and Japan but that will be possible on a big scale only when we have peace.

CJN: *Can you tell us about the absorption of Soviet Jews. Are they becoming integrated fully? Is the situation going to be such that they will want to stay?*

Eliav: The problem of Soviet immigration, and I was a minister of absorption in one of the Labor governments, is first and foremost to find jobs. Housing is important but there are some solutions for housing. The question is jobs and this problem is not in a good state. Joblessness among the Russian newcomers is around 14 or 15 percent, maybe more. That's the main issue.

I was in the Soviet Union about two weeks ago. I and the chairman of the Labor Party were both invited by Gorbachev and we had a long talk with him. And we saw also many hundreds of Jews waiting in line at the consulate general of Israel in Moscow. And the first, I would say the only, question is jobs, what will happen. And this problem of jobs is linked with the general economic development of Israel and the future economic development of Israel is linked with the progress of peace.

CJN: *What is Labor doing to make it attractive to the Russians as potential voters?*

Eliav: Everybody is trying to lure the newcomers. Labor is doing its share. First of all what we have to do in Labor and left of Labor is to explain to the Russian newcomers that we are socialist but socialism in Israel is not communism. I came from the Soviet Union and there when you say that you are a socialist, it means you are a communist and they hate the guts of communism, and rightly so.

But Israeli socialism is entirely different, it's social democracy. And the kibbutzim are not kolkhoz or sovkoz. So you have to take Russian olim, which we do, to kibbutzim and show them it's a voluntary organization and it's not state run. We have to show them that our kind of social democracy has nothing to do with their own kind of communist/ socialist brand.

CJN: *What about the prospects for electoral reform in Israel. We've heard that it comes and goes and apparently now it appears nothing is being done?*

Eliav: I'm for it and I've been for it for a good many years, since Ben Gurion in the 1950s when he was demanding reform. And nothing happened and unfortunately I don't see that with the coming election something dramatic will happen. The main reason is that the two big parties, Labor and Likud, are in a sort of Catch-22 because they are blackmailed by the religious Orthodox parties who can tip the scales.

There was one small step which we took last month. We now have a threshold of one percent. If you get less than one percent of the vote you cannot go in [to the Knesset]. Now we've passed a law that makes it one-and-a-half per cent which is a step in the right direction but a very small step. . . A major change would have been created if you had a five percent threshold, then a good number of smaller parties would be eliminated or have to merge with bigger parties. Let's say Mapam would have to merge with Labor, which is good. And the three extreme right parties would have to merge into one party.

Around The World

The News In Brief

Award winners

JERUSALEM — Zubin Mehta, Uri Lubrani, and *New York Times* columnist A. M. Rosenthal are to share the $100,000 Defender of Jerusalem Award, presented annually to individuals or groups whose outstanding actions have contributed to the defence of the rights of Jewish people.

Lubrani was instrumental in the planning and execution of Operation Solomon, the 24-hour emergency airlift to Israel of 14,000 Ethiopian Jews in May 1991.

Mehta, music director of the Israel Philharmonic, has shown constant and unwavering solidarity with the people of Israel. His presence here during the Gulf war was an inspirational symbol.

Rosenthal is a proud Jew, unafraid to speak his mind. In his twice-weekly column, he served as a calm, reasoned and yet passionate voice on Jewish and Israeli affairs.

Zubin Mehta

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Loan guarantee OK'd

NEW YORK — U.S. President George Bush has promised to approve Israel's request for $10 billion in absorption loan guarantees within the 120-day period he specified in September, Sen. Daniel Inouye told U.S. Jewish leaders.

Bush also said the guarantees would not be linked to developments in the peace process or a settlement freeze.

In a closed-door session of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, the Hawaii Democrat, who chairs the defence subcommittee of the Senate appropriations committee, added that he expects the loan guarantees "to be the law of the land" soon, according to conference officials.

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First direct flight

JERUSALEM — The first official direct flight from Moscow arrived last week at Ben-Gurion Airport with 125 immigrants from all parts of the Soviet Union aboard.

Regular flights by Transair, a subsidiary of Aeroflot, the Soviet national carrier, will also originate in St. Petersburg.

"From now on there will be regular direct flights, in accordance with the agreement the Jewish Agency signed last month with Aeroflot and El Al," Capt. Nikolai Konov, the pilot who was the first person off the plane, said.

Agency chairman Simcha Dinitz hailed the flight as a milestone in Soviet aliyah. The flights, which the agency fought so long to achieve, he said, are quicker, more convenient, safer and more economical than the indirect routes through eastern European transit stations. They may also bring about a modest increase in immigration, he said.

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Kahane trial opens

NEW YORK — One year after the assassination of Rabbi Meir Kahane, the trial of his accused killer opened last week with the combination of street-level violence and legal maneuvering that the former Knesset member used to publicize his controversial ideas.

Outside the Manhattan courtroom, a clash between Kahane followers and Arab demonstrators ended with one Arab protester charged with riot, assault and weapon possession after he struck a police officer with a placard.

Inside the building, lawyers for defendant El Sayyid Nosair outlined their client's defence as the jury selection began. They said Nosair, who has been identified by over a dozen eyewitnesses, was the innocent victim of a conspiracy to assassinate Kahane.

But an article in last week's *Village Voice* linked Egyptian-born Nosair to both Al Jihad, the Egyptian group behind the assassination of Anwar Sadat, and to notorious Palestinian terrorist Abu Nidal.

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Vanunu loses bid

JERUSALEM — Convicted nuclear spy Mordechai Vanunu lost his bid to improve conditions at Ashkelon prison, where he is serving an 18-year sentence for allegedly disclosing Israel's nuclear weapons capabilities to a British newspaper.

The High Court of Justice rejected his complaint.

Vanunu, once a technician employed at Israel's nuclear facility at Dimona, was lured from London to Rome in 1988 and kidnapped by Israeli agents, who brought him to Israel.

He was tried there in secret, and convicted. He is not permitted to talk to or be photographed by the media.

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Escapes prison

SYDNEY, Australia — An Australian neo-Nazi serving a life sentence for a brutal murder escaped from a maximum security prison in Western Australia last week.

A nationwide manhunt is under way for Wayne Napier, a member of the violence-prone Australian Nationalist Movement who is described by police as "extremely dangerous."

He apparently escaped in a sealed box from the Casuarina prison, a $75 million lockup touted as the most advanced and secure prison in the Southern hemisphere when it was opened in September.

Napier was convicted in June of murdering a fellow member of the Australian Nationalist Movement who he feared would give the police evidence of arson, robbery and mayhem by the group.

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UFO spotted

BEIT SHE'AN — An unidentified flying object was observed over this town last week police reported.

"It was a shining object, quite large as compared to other objects seen in the sky at the time," the local police chief said.

District Superintendent Yitzhak Mordechai told Army Radio he was first informed about the UFO by a taxi driver at about 3:30 a.m.

The driver, Yossi Ben-Ha'ash, said the UFO resembled a shining half-ellipse.

"We came to the area where the UFO was seen, and we followed it while driving east," Mordechai said. "It was some 200 metres off the ground until the morning hours. Then, at about 6 a.m., it disappeared."

Asked to describe the mysterious object's flight, he said: "It moved to some point, stopped, made turns around itself and after several minutes moved in a northerly direction and then back to the spot where it had initially stopped."

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Currency rules

JERUSALEM — Israel's tough foreign currency regulations will be eased somewhat to facilitate the inflow of foreign currency and stimulate foreign investments, the governor of the Bank of Israel announced.

The proposed changes, subject to Cabinet and Knesset approval, will take effect "in the near future," said Jacob Frenkel, the head of Israel's central bank.

His announcement was received favorably by local investors, but sent prices down on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange. Especially hard hit were issues traded overseas.

Under the revised rules, Israeli citizens will be allowed to hold foreign currency in Israeli banks and use it to buy and sell shares on overseas stock exchanges.

There will be no limit on the amount of foreign currency that may be held in Israeli banks. But it will have to be purchased with foreign currency, not shekels.

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Suicide mission

TEL AVIV — A captured Islamic guerrila says he and his comrades nearly succeeded in a "suicide-mission" into Israel last week aimed at sabotaging the Madrid peace conference before it opened.

According to Fahdy Mohamad Ahmed Elgazar, 20, a member of Islamic Jihad, their orders were to infiltrate Israel and kill as many civilians or soldiers as possible, "except children."

The attempt, on the night of Oct. 29, resulted in a clash with the Israel Defence Force that left three Israeli soldiers dead and five wounded. Of the three would-be infiltrators, only Elgazar survived.

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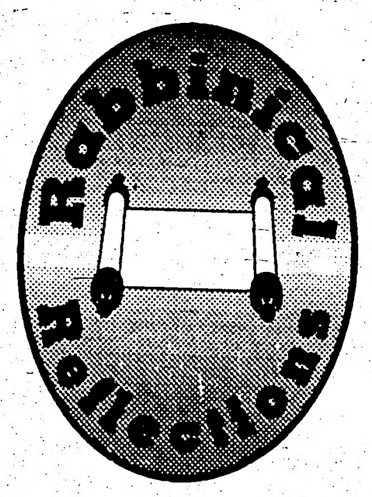

By
RABBI AARON LEVINE

If there is any Book of the Torah that has been distorted more than the others it is Bereishis, which we read like a story book rather than the Divine word of God.

One unschooled in authentic Torah study will measure all that happened in light of his own limited understanding and experiences. This accounts for the warped interpretations of those ignorant of genuine Torah commentaries. Let me illustrate with one small example from this week's sidrah.

We imagine that Jacob, a dashing and handsome man, fell madly in love with beautiful Rachel. The older, jealous and ugly sister, Leah, connived with her father to deceive Jacob and they somehow managed to arrange the wedding accordingly. Jacob scorned and hated Leah; he arranged to marry Rachel later, and the jealousy between the wives continued as they vied with each other to bear Jacob's children. So reads the reader of today's and yesteryear's romantic novels where love is synonymous with lust and immorality. The reader applies all of this to the holy figures of the Torah.

The Torah states: "And Jacob worked seven years for Rachel and they were in his eyes as just a few days because of his love for her." Anyone who knows what "love" means in today's terms would ask an obvious question. Any couple which remains true to the sanctity of the chupah tradition: "Who forbade us to have relations while engaged and permitted them once married . . .", knows that all engagements seem to drag forever. If so, how could seven years seem like a few days?

Explained Rabbi Eliyahu Lopian: When I go to a restaurant and the waiter asks me what I would like, I tell him "I *love* fish." The waiter brings me fish which I know was once alive, was caught and killed, skinned and fried, and cut up into pieces, and I devour hungrily the fish that I *love* so much. Would the waiter ask, "Sir, if you love the fish so much how could you eat it?" Of course not! I never meant that I loved the fish. What I meant was, "I love *myself*, and I enjoy eating fish, so to satisfy that love of myself I will devour the fish. I have no concerns about the fate of the poor fish!"

Similarly, what we mean most of the time when we say, "I love *you*," is really, "I love *myself*, and you give me pleasure, therefore I want you to fulfil this love of myself." Not having for a few days this love which satisfies *my* needs would seem like an eternity. In true Torah terms, however, real love is *giving* not *taking*. The more I give, the more I love, and, no doubt, that love will be reciprocated.

Jacob, 83 years old, *never* issued from his loins a seminal drop, until the night of his marriage. Can you imagine the sanctity of that union? He didn't even know that it was Leah until the morning! Suspecting that Laban may stick him he prearranged a code to identify the kallah. But Rachel herself gave Leah the code. She sacrificed her marriage because, in her compassion, she could not bear to see Leah's humiliation.

What holy people! Jacob, knowing that his destiny was to raise the twelve tribes, knew that Rachel was to be the mainstay of Klal Yisrael. His love for her was pure, wishing only to create this destiny. If it had to take seven years to fulfil, so be it. It would be in his eyes but a few days.

His love for Leah flowered in this manner as she fulfilled her share in that destiny. Such was the "love" of a man about whom our Sages say "his bed was completely pure."

We learn two vital lessons. One, the necessity of studying Torah through the eyes of the sages and not through our own subjective vision. And, two, parenthetically, what true love really means. How careful we must be to *give* and not always think of *taking*. How we must mean I love *you* and not I love *myself*. How happy our homes and marriages would be, and as a consequence, we could raise children like the tribes of Israel dedicated to the Almighty and His Torah, not generations who are becoming so distant from Godliness and for whom Torah knowledge is an anachronism.

Rabbi Aaron Levine has authored several books on Jewish laws and customs, the most recent being The Rosh Hashanah Anthology.

Canadian students (from left) Shea Kahn, Chaim Motzen, Akiva Sacknovitz and David Alter.

Student enrollment on the rise

JERUSALEM —

This year sees a record enrollment in the Moty Hornstein Institute for Overseas Students.

One hundred and fifteen students from the United States, Canada, Europe and Australia are enrolled in the first, second and third year of the overseas division and in the class of post graduates, who came to Sha'alvim after completing their university studies in the United States, reports Moty Hornstein Institute dean Rav Mallen Galinsky.

Forty Sha'alvim alumni returned from the United States, Canada and Europe for 40 days of intensive Torah learning from Rosh Chodesh Ellul until Yom Kippur. They participate in the regular sheurim of the Yeshivat Hesder and the special sheurim given by guest Maggid Sheur, Rav Michael Rosenzweig of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Yeshiva at Yeshiva University.

Among this year's overseas students are Canadian residents David Alter, Akiva Sacknovitz, Chaim Motzen and Shea Kahn.

Yeshivat Sha'alvim is a founding member of the Hesder movement-institutions in which Israelis continue Torah Studies while serving in the IDF. Sha'alvim are at the forefront of Jewish communal service in both the Jewish State and the Diaspora.

Holocaust exhibit to open in China

JERUSALEM —

Courage To Remember, the Simon Wiesenthal Centre's acclaimed Holocaust exhibit will open in Shanghai on Dec. 3, marking the first time a Jewish organization has been invited to present an exhibition on Jewish themes in the People's Republic of China.

The announcement was made jointly in Jerusalem by the Centre's associate dean, Rabbi Abraham Cooper and Hu Gang, the president of the Chinese Institute for Peace and Development Studies which is cosponsoring the exhibit, and who is currently leading a visiting Chinese delegation in Israel.

The Centre has prepared a special 60-panel bilingual version of Courage which will be presented alongside a new exhibit on Shanghai's Jews produced by the Chinese Institute during World War II.

The Holocaust exhibition is the second major educational program from the Centre to be represented in China. Last September, the Centre's Academy Award-winning documentary *Genocide* was presented on nationwide television in China to an estimated viewing audience of some 500 million people.

"The opening of this exhibit in Shanghai is an important step in reacquainting the people of China with the Jewish world after a 40-year period of isolation," said Rabbi Cooper, "and the fact that this agreement was finalized by our two groups in Israel's capital is a further indication that the normalization of relations with the world's most populous nation is well on its way."

Rabbi Cooper also announced that the Wiesenthal Centre will send a 30-member delegation to China to attend the opening ceremonies. In addition to Shanghai the group will also meet the government officials in Beijing.

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Madrid looked at how much space Jews should occupy

ANALYSIS

By
RUTH WISSE

Five hundred years after the expulsion of the Jews from Spain, representatives of the sovereign Jewish State of Israel came to Madrid to be told by the representatives of Arab and Christian nations that the Jews were taking up too much space. Not that the Arabs were taking up too much space: the Arabs were there to complain that they have too little. Not that the Christians were taking up too much space; they seemed firmly attached to their spectacular holdings. Only that the Jews had overstepped their boundaries.

The Christian countries came to Madrid to assure the Jews that if they should agree to yield several hundred square miles, they would then have a better chance of holding on to the rest of Israel. Unfortunately, they do not speak for the Arabs who want the full 8,000 square miles of Israel. Thus, while the Christians who give Jews the assurances are not the ones claiming the land, the Arabs claiming the land are not ready to give Jews assurances. Nevertheless, things are much better than in 1492, because now the Jews have a land they can be asked to yield.

Does this description of the Jewish condition displease or embarrass you? Should I refrain from calling the United States a Christian country, or should I pretend that the Soviet Union is not rapidly breaking up into a series of avowedly Christian national republics, or that the European community is not composed of Christian nations? Or do you think that the Christian background of these nations is irrelevant to their secular political natures, hence unseemly as a comment on their actions?

Ruth R. Wisse

In that case, let me begin again: 500 years after the expulsion of the Jews from Spain, representatives of the sovereign Jewish state of Israel came to Madrid to be told by the representatives of Arab countries, by the democratic United States of America, by the disintegrating Soviet Union, and by the European Community, that the Jews were taking up too much space.

Are you still dissatisfied with this description of the Jewish condition? Would you rather I did not emphasize that Israel is a Jewish state, since the mention of its Jewishness suggests an anti-Jewish motive in what would otherwise be a neutral geopolitical alignment of countries with common interests in the Middle East? Or do you think that reference to the Inquisition is unfair, for the same reason, because it suggests that there is a recurrent historical pattern of opposition to the Jews? If the present alignment against Israel is purely political, I should say simply that representatives of Israel came to Madrid to be told by their counterparts in Arab countries, the United States, Europe, and the Soviet Union, that Israel was occupying too much space.

Are you still made uneasy by this description? Perhaps you would have liked me to say something about the impulse for peace that prompted the conference, about the prospects for peace that accompanied the delegates to the conference, about the hopes for peace that were generated by the conference? Instead of harping on the land Israel was being asked to yield, perhaps you would have liked me to say that Israel was being asked to give up land for peace?

But that is precisely the point. The idea of peace common to Arab and Christian nations is that the Jews should not occupy so much space. Spain forcibly converted or expelled its Jews in the 15th century because, according to the idea of a peaceful Spain, the Jews were corrupting its space. The rest of Europe came to the same conclusion several centuries later, and cleared its space more radically. Modern Arab states have always complained, however, that as a result of Europe's hasty clearance, they have had to absorb the Jewish dregs into their part of the world. They resent having their peace disturbed because of Europe's imperfect solution to its "Jewish question."

On the other hand, having seen what a peace the European communities finally concluded with the Jews, the Arabs have been inspired to hold out for a similar solution. When Palestine was divided into Jewish and Arab sections, with Arabs receiving the lion's share, they did not accept the division, but said they wanted it entire. When they lost other pieces to Israel in wars that were launched to destroy it, they felt even more aggrieved, and pronounced the Jews "racist" for wanting to occupy space at all.

When Palestinian Arabs use the word "Palestine," they do not refer to the larger part already in Arab hands but to the smaller part still in Jewish hands which it is their project to redeem. Their idea of peace is to become the replacement-for-the-Jews — and who knows? Perhaps the non-Arab nations feel guilty that the Arabs have been saddled with a Jewish state in their part of the world. Perhaps, sharing the Arab idea of peace, they feel they owe it to them to ensure that the space left to the Jews be as small as possible.

However you want to put it, all the non-Israeli delegates gathered at Madrid agreed that the Jews took up too much space in their sovereign but still-besieged state. They only disagreed about how much was too much.

OPINION

Syria will be Israel's toughest negotiating adversary

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

The Middle East peace conference in Madrid has been adjourned after one round, with Syria having left the distinct impression that it will be Israel's toughest negotiating adversary.

The Syrians, as led by Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa, engaged in harsh polemics that shocked everyone.

Sharaa held aloft a 1948 "wanted" poster of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, who was then a member of the extremist Stern Gang. And he accused Shamir of having been a terrorist and of having "helped" in the assassination of Swedish peace mediator Count Folke Bernadotte.

Sharaa may have been incensed by Shamir's denunciation of Syria as "one of the most oppressive, tyrannical regimes in the world."

By way of reaction, Syria petulantly refused to meet Israel in face-to-face negotiations, despite a solemn promise to do so. But under intense U.S., Soviet and Arab pressure, and the bitter knowledge that Jordan and the Palestinians would meet the Israelis without Damascus' sanction, Syria relented and the meeting finally took place, but without Sharaa's presence.

The five-hour bilateral meeting produced no tangible result. What's more, there were no handshakes or photographers present to record the historic moment when Israel and Syria, for the first time ever, met in direct talks.

Syria's negotiating strategy was blunt and uncompromising. The Syrians refused to consider Israel's proposal for further, alternating talks in Israel and Syria, and rejected suggestions for small, confidence-building gestures from each side.

Repeatedly, the Syrians returned to the same theme: the need for Israel to relinquish the Golan Heights, captured in the 1967 Six Day War and formally annexed in December 1981.

The Israelis do not want to make territorial concessions on the Golan Heights, at least not now, and this was underscored on Nov. 4 when Israel inaugurated yet another settlement there.

Despite this clear provocation, Syria says it is committed to the peace process. On the eve of his departure from Madrid, Sharaa said that Syria would continue bilateral talks with Israel, on condition they are not held in the Middle East.

As it is to all Arabs, the territorial issue is of paramount importance to Syria. So, even before the Madrid talks got under way, Syria announced it would not meet Israel in the third multilateral phase, involving arms control, water and economic development, until Israel made a prior commitment to withdraw from the captured territories. And then Sharaa said he would not shake hands with the Israelis unless he was assured that Israel had no designs on the territories.

Syria's hardline attitude is a function of its perception of itself as "the beating heart" of Arab nationalism and of its negotiating style, which is dictated by President Hafez Assad. In his 1982 memoirs, *Years of Upheaval*, Henry Kissinger, the former U.S. secretary of state, succinctly described Assad's tactics: "He negotiated daringly and tenaciously like a riverboat gambler to make sure that he had exacted the last sliver of available concessions."

But Israel's negotiations with Syria will be long and acrimonious not only because Assad is a stubborn — and shrewd and wily — opponent. Syria and Israel don't even agree on basic facts, and this divergence was most evident when Sharaa held the floor.

- He ridiculed the common and accepted view that the Six Day War was a defensive war for the Israelis.
- He claimed that the Palestinians "are the only people who have lived in Palestine for thousands of years," when that is simply untrue.
- He denied Syrian mistreatment of its dwindling Jewish population.

And judging by what else transpired in Madrid, Syria exhibited few signs of the "new thinking" that is so necessary for a genuine rapprochement with its sworn enemy.

Sharaa grudgingly acknowledged that "the Israelis as a people desire peace." But at a press conference, he rudely and persistently refused to take a question from an Israeli journalist, and in a preceding speech, he had the audacity to state that Israel has no "legal or humanitarian" grounds to promote aliyah.

The late Anwar Sadat of Egypt spoke of the importance of "psychological breakthroughs" in Arab-Israeli relations. Sadat — and Egypt — broke through that daunting barrier, but Syria and its representatives in Madrid were hardly even trying.

CSQ helps to improve Sephardim's quality of life

COMMENTARY

By
SALOMON OZIEL

The article by M. André Elbaz about the future of the Sephardic community in Québec *(Viewpoints)* shows once again the double standards that exist very often in the Jewish community of Montreal.

Instead of contacting the leadership of the Sephardic community, as they did in the case of Canadian Jewish Congress (Michael Crelinstein) and AJCS (Maxine Sigman), the editors of *Viewpoints* decided in their wisdom to give someone who lives and works in Ottawa and is not active in the Montreal community an opportunity to direct his venom against the leadership of the Communauté Sépharade du Québec. The CSQ executive director or its president were never contacted or asked their opinion on such an important subject.

What saddens me most is that *Viewpoints* is published "under the sponsorship of Canadian Jewish Congress," an organization which has had traditionally the full support of CSQ in promoting and defending the Jewish community of Quebec. I say to Congress: a disclaimer is not enough, and it is indeed the easy way out to say, "We are not responsible." Congress should review its sponsorship of *Viewpoints*. CSQ will not tolerate this double standard anymore; if need be, we will review our support of Congress.

As for the nonsense spread by M. Elbaz, I would like, for the benefit of the total Jewish community of Montreal, to set the record straight.

1. Our 1989 census indicates up to 23,000 Sephardim in Quebec. Most of them identify with CSQ or one of its ten constituent organizations. Free and democratic elections are held everywhere, every two years. Elected members of the board of CSQ are the real decision makers. (Most of them were elected for the first time four years ago.) CSQ is the most democratic Jewish organization in town.

2. It is highly unethical to manipulate what one person, M. Jean-Claude Lasry, said or did *not* say and make it look like the official position of CSQ towards Ashkenazim. Our only position is that we are all brothers and sisters and we want our chidren to marry one another. However, we believe that in order to survive as Sephardim, we have to cultivate our cultural differences, the result of which will be a much richer Jewish community. Think of us as an asset, not a liability.

3. It is true that our relationship with the Ashkanazi leadership has been "sweet and sour" throughout the years. We have great admiration for the accomplishments of the Jewish community of Montreal, surely one of the top three in the Diaspora. But as long as they keep treating us like junior partners, or worse, as a temporary disease that will disappear in the next generation, there will always be problems. We have the will and the support of all our population, young and old, to be and stay Jews and Sepharad for many generations to come.

4. Concerning our relations with Quebec, our position is clear:

- CSQ believes very strongly in a united front of the Jewish community to the outside world. We should never disagree among ourselves in our dealings with the government or other communities. Am Israel, Am Echad.
- CSQ recognizes that a large majority of Sephardim living in Quebec are federalist; we have said so many times already. However, we think that community organizations should stay away from any controversy. We have never sided with any political group. We believe we should have excellent relations with all parties, federal or provincial, and prepare ourselves for any eventuality. Whatever the future of Quebec, we are still going to live here as Jews.
- We are convinced that the Jewish community of Montreal, in its dealings with Quebec, should take advantage of the fact that 25 per cent of its population is French-speaking. This has been done very poorly so far. CSQ has requested for a long time to play a positive role on behalf of the total Jewish community, but this role has not been forthcoming.

5. CSQ is proud of its accomplishments in improving the quality of life of the Sephardic population in Montreal. We are recognized by over 75 per cent of Sephardic Jewry as their official representative.

Everything we do or say is according to the wishes of our population, for the betterment of the entire Jewish community.

(Salomon Oziel is president of the Communauté Sépharade du Québec.)

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Louisiana decides

America has reached an important crossroads. On Nov. 16, voters in the state of Louisiana will elect a new governor. The unofficial Republican candidate is none other than David Duke, a member of Louisiana's legislature and a former grand wizard of the Ku Klux Klan who celebrated Hitler's birthday until a few years ago, admired the late neo-Nazi leader George Lincoln Rockwell and once described Jews as "a blight."

Duke will face Democrat Edwin Edwards, a former three-term governor who finished first in a recent runoff, trailed by Duke and the incumbent governor, Buddy Roemer. In that gubernatorial primary, Edwards led the field with 34 percent, followed by Duke (32 percent) and Roemer (27 percent)

Although Duke claims that he is committed to equal rights for all and disavows his youthful association with the KKK and his fling with neo-Nazi ideology, there can be little doubt that he is a dangerous demagogue. No wonder the Republican party has denounced him and distanced itself from this odious man.

Allowances should always be made for politicians who've truly recognized the error of their ways and sincerely reformed themselves. Although Duke has — in the best or worst American tradition — repackaged himself, we have nagging doubts that he has really jettisoned his racist beliefs.

Duke is trying hard to portray himself as a mainstream Republican, but he appeals to the lowest common denominator. He castigates affirmative action, rails at racial quotas and denounces welfare abuses. Legitimate political figures in the United States have raised these touchy issues, including President George Bush himself. But when someone like Duke, with his extremely unsavory past and his implicit agenda, raises them in carefully veiled code words, he is deliberately pandering to racism in general and anti-black feelings in particular.

Duke thrives on the politics of fear and anger. The U.S. recession is throwing alarming numbers of Americans out of jobs, including members of the middle class, and signs of a recovery are minimal. As well, affirmative action programs trigger resentment and jealousy.

Duke, clearly, is feeding on this malaise. But let us hope that Americans, especially in Louisiana, act wisely and do not cast their protest votes for someone of Duke's ilk. It would be a tragedy for Louisiana and the United States.

War criminal at large

While the world is still preoccupied with Nazi war criminals whose crimes were committed half a century ago, another war criminal, whose crimes are of a more recent vintage, still roams around on his home turf as a free man.

Saddam Hussein showed his contempt for elementary standards of human decency when he invaded Kuwait in the summer of 1990 and proceeded to translate his psychopathic tendencies into the brutal enslavement of that country's population. Repression, wanton murder and the deportation of untold thousands of Kuwaitis back to Iraq were some of the expressions of Saddam's neo-barbarism.

His expulsion from Kuwait by the American-led coalition forces was accompanied by an act of environmental terrorism — the detonating of every single Kuwaiti oil well — unprecedented in the annals of warfare. During that war he also fired Scud missiles against Israel, a country not even involved in the Kuwait affair.

Nine months after the defeat of his armies, Saddam Hussein's nuclear program in all its diabolic dimensions has been exposed by UN observers. That program, however, has not been stopped; it has been temporarily put on hold as the Iraqi dictator plots to resuscitate it when the time is propitious.

As Richard C. Hottelet points out in *The Christian Science Monitor*, one of Saddam's assets is that he retains his status as a legitimate head of government. From this vintage point he hopes that memories will fade and that the boycott currently imposed upon Iraq will eventually be rescinded. The reluctance of the United States to use military levers to keep Saddam in line suggests that the wily Baghdad despot is a cunning tactician.

It has been suggested that putting Saddam Hussein on trial for war crimes is now a matter of some urgency. As Hottelet notes, an international tribunal, a kind of Nuremberg II, should be empanelled to document Saddam's heinous crimes.

Saddam and his collaborators can be tried in absentia — "with sentencing and punishment held in abeyance." Canada's own Irwin Cotler, the chairman of the Nuremberg II group idea, is in the process of drawing up a detailed indictment of Saddam's genocidal campaign against both the Kuwaitis and the Kurds.

The important thing is that Saddam Hussein's crimes be judged by an international tribunal. His condemnation by that body would carry great moral strength and diminish his reputation in Iraq. It would also serve as a deterrent to other would-be international thugs and assassins.

Letters to the Editor

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UNITED EFFORT

Thank you for the wonderful coverage the *CJN* gave Shoshana Cardin and UJA Night. However, Ron Csillag's article on UJA Night (Soviet Focus Should Be On Republics, Oct. 31) noted that the event was co-sponsored by Jewish Women's Federation, but did not acknowledge UJA Women's Campaign, of which Roz Davidson is chairman, as co-sponsor.

We are united in presenting this annual community program.

Judy Noyek, President
Jewish Women's Federation

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SETTING RECORD STRAIGHT

The views expressed recently by Leon Ouaknine in the magazine *Tribune Juive*, and reported in the newspaper *La Presse* on Sept. 20 and Sept. 23 *(CJN*, Sept. 26, Oct. 3), do not represent in any way the position of the board of directors of the Baron de Hirsch Institute, nor of the Jewish Family Services Social Service Centre.

Notwithstanding the fact that Mr. Ouaknine was identified on Sept. 20 in *La Presse* by his title as director general of the Jewish Family Services Social Service Centre, he did not speak in his official capacity.

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BONANZA IN RUSSIA

Your article Missionaries Target Soviet Jews by Aliza Marcus. *(CJN*, Oct. 24) seems to deal specifically with attempts to proselytize only on the part of Messianic Jews and specifically in the Brighton Beach area in Brooklyn.

I believe that what is presented in this article falls far short of the reality that almost all religions, both mainstream and otherwise, see in Russia the opportunity of a lifetime. The opportunity to gain innumerable eager converts to a cause, most hopefully their particular cause.

Remember; this is a society that has for the past 70 years or so, been bereft of the teachings of religious dogmas due to the Soviet state-controlled policy of atheism that had existed up until now.

Only those who dared to hide and conduct clandestine services with whatever religious trappings and literature they dared to conceal in defiance of the laws that forbade their possession, retained any vestige of their religion.

I believe that most religions whose ethics or lack of them (depending on your point of view), encourage proselytizing will be right there in Russia adding to their membership lists from this veritable bonanza of Soviet citizenry eager to accept whichever sales pitch suits their fancy.

Reuben Bernatt
Beaverton, Ont.

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Rabbi Elyse Goldstein

THE BOTTOM LINE

In light of Rabbi Elyse Goldstein's authoritarian prescriptives for what she imagines ails Reform Judaism, it is less than surprising that Canadian Reform Judaism faces an identity crisis *(CJN* Oct. 24).

Rabbi Goldstein demands what she defines as bottom lines, that communicants of Reform Judaism have got to fast on Yom Kippur and refrain from eating leavened breads on Passover. These uncalled for demands are, incidentally, in conflict with pioneer Reform theologian Samuel Holdheim (1806-60), who in his *Principles of Reformed Judaism* in fact abolished these very same requirements, and did so on halachic logic and interpretation.

There are neither bottom lines nor musts/must nots within Reform Judaism's religiously liberal interpretations of theology, ritual and ceremonials. It is not even required that a belief in some naturalist or super-naturalist Deity be acknowledged or that the creedal "Sh'ma" be recited. Witness the impending admission of Cincinnati's Congregation for Humanist Judaism to the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Moreover, during the proceedings of the 1991 CCAR convention in Fort Lauderdale, a committee was charged to devise religious marriage ceremonies for lesbians and homosexuals, thus emphasizing the truth that Halachah may have a vote but certainly no veto in Reform Judaism.

Once asked if his congregants fast on Yom Kippur, Rabbi Israel Mattuck of the Liberal Jewish Synagogue in London replied: "Some do and some don't" and he gave the same answer on the matter of eating bread on Passover. "Is there not something that all of your congregants keep?" asked the questioner. Whereupon Rabbi Mattuck responded: "They all keep me."

Klaus J. Herrmann
Montreal

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TRIBUTE TO IDA

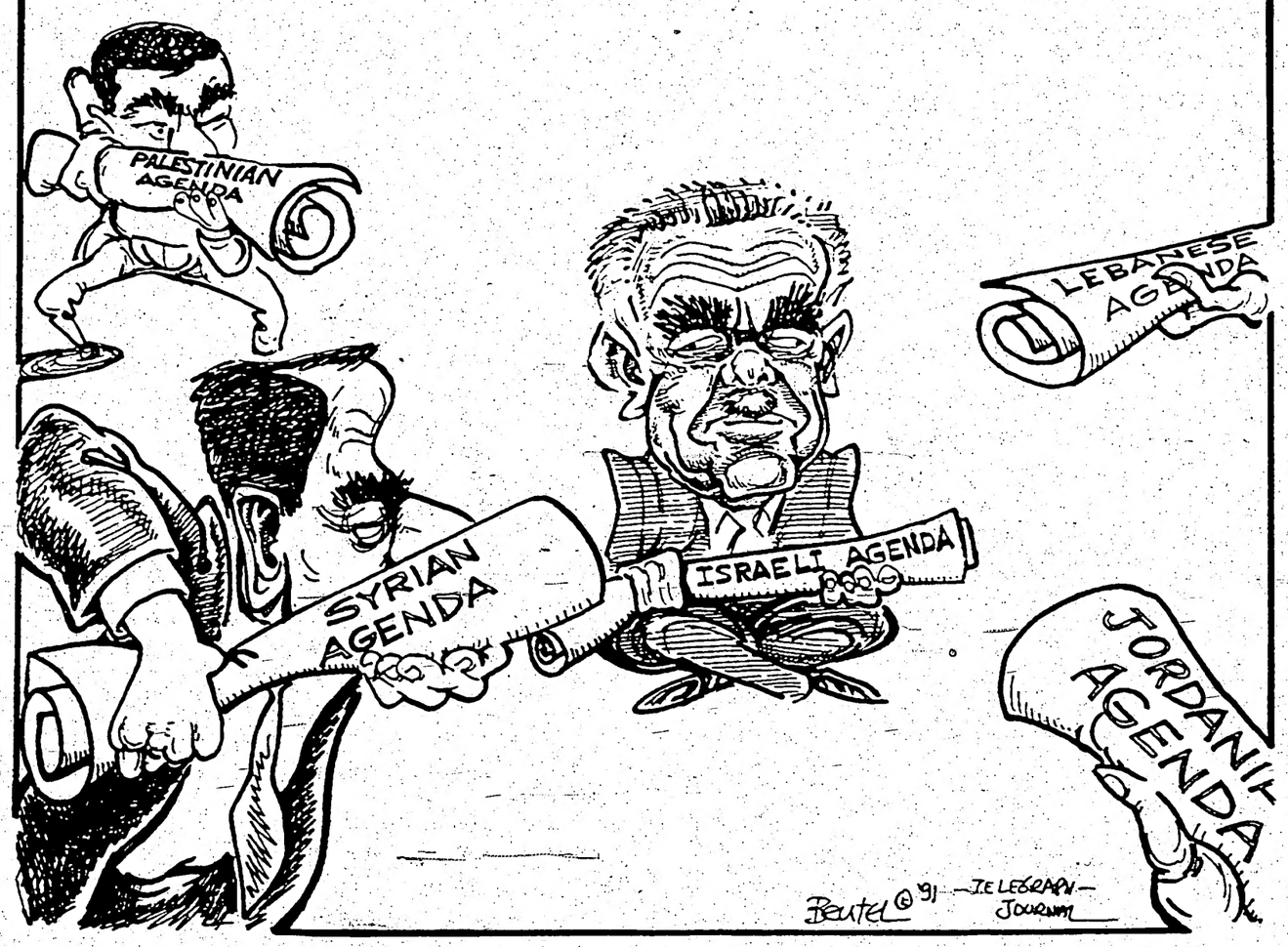
Some time ago I was present at an evening party at Sholom Aleichem Lodge, B'nai B'rith Canada. It was organized by the lodge president, Berta Shterenberg. More than 150 people gathered together.

A great musician came to delight people with her singing and playing. It was Ida Markh from Riga, who lives in Toronto with her family.

She grew up in a Jewish religious family that knew and loved Jewish music very much and graduated from musical college. Ida came to this evening with her own instruments, bringing joy to the people.

She sang songs in English, Yiddish, Hebrew, Russian and Latvian with her own accompaniment. People listened to her with great delight and danced with pleasure. At 11 o'clock the party ended but people kept applauding, not wanting Ida to leave the stage.

Galine Ginzburg
Haifa, Israel



Opinion

Time for all to live in peace

The fable of the Turtle and the Scorpion

By
J. B. SALSBERG

Like all people of good will I, too, was encouraged by the Madrid conference for peace in the troubled Middle East, called by the United States and the U.S.S.R.

I'm still hopeful, despite the political snags that developed during the process of finding the place for those proceedings that will be acceptable to both sides.

Now, as every informed person knows, the Middle East, into which the heavenly planners steam-hammered the eternal home of the Jews, the children of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, has never been considered the most peaceful neighborhood in the world.

As for modern Israel, it had to battle from the moment of its birth for the right and opportunity to live and to rebuild its historic homeland.

The recent Madrid conference for peace in the Middle East did bring Israeli and Arab representatives to sit at the same table and talk about peace in that area. But there are Arab and other leaders of the Islamic world who still cherish the evil hope of destroying Israel. They plan, they plot, they send armed units to murder, to destroy and to frighten Israelis and to impede the process of absorbing Jewish newcomers to the land of Israel.

And, the more promising the peace efforts become, the more aggressive the sworn enemies of Israel in that part of the world have become. The co-operation of Russia with the United States, welcomed by all who truly strive for peace in the Middle East, is central in this promising development. May that "Big Power" co-operation continue and be blessed with success.

J.B. Salsberg

However, the history of the Middle East worries many seekers of peace. For centuries and, yes, millenia, it has also been a battlefield for contending tribes and their later national formations.

For instance: The learned professor, Theophile J. Meek, of Toronto, went so far in his book, *Hebrew Origins*, first published in 1936, as to suggest that the tribe of Joseph was not really enslaved in ancient Egypt, as the Bible tells us, but was a tribe of professional soldiers, mercenaries, who joined a larger warrior tribe that attacked Egypt. As the award for that help, the victorious invader of Egypt granted the territory known as Goshen in the Bible, to the tribe of Joseph. The Bible tells us how the Jews of Goshen were later a part of the Jewish Exodus from Egypt, who crossed the Red Sea and finally reached the "promised land" of Eretz Yisroel.

(For heavens sake; how did I get embroiled in the beginnings of the history of our people, while writing this humble column? I'll never know.)

Anyway, one thing is certain: the Jewish nation had its birth in the Middle East, the same Middle East that occupied centre stage in the recent Madrid conference for peace in the entire Middle East.

Again — with all people of good will, I hope that the present negotiations, with Israel actually sitting across the table with Arabs, will succeed and launch a new era of peace in that crucial area of the world.

However, and as usual, I land on a "however." I confess that for the last few days my mind was preoccupied with Israel and the matter of peace. While so preoccupied, I was also pursued by an ancient fable. (According to my dictionary a fable is, among other things, "a short, fictitious narrative intended to convey some moral.")

Here is the fable.

Once upon a time a dangerous scorpion reached the shore of a Middle East river. It wanted to cross the river but it was unable to swim. It waited until a turtle arrived. It, too, wanted to get to the other side.

So the scorpion said to the turtle: "I can't swim but you can. May I, therefore, sit on your hard-shelled back while crossing the river?" And the turtle said: "How can I agree to such a request when everyone knows that scorpions can't be trusted?" So the scorpion said: "How foolish can you get? Since I can't swim should I want to hurt you, since that would mean that I too would drown?"

And the trusting turtle agreed and the scorpion got on the turtle's back and the swim started. But half way across the river the scorpion, true to its nature, did bite the turtle and both began to sink. "Why did you do it?" asked the innocent turtle. "Now we will both sink!" And the scorpion said: "Don't you know? This is the Middle East..."

With peace on the horizon of the Middle East, I pray that Israel's Arab neighbors will recall the ancient fable of the turtle and the scorpion, and resolve to achieve the opportunity for both to live in peace.

Amen.

New book on Van Paassen

Dutch author had early effect on Johnson

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

For some time I have been receiving correspondence from David Kirk and Beverly Tansey in British Columbia. The two have teamed up to write a biography of the late Pierre Van Paassen, a staunch gentile Zionist who in his day made a significant impact on American public opinion.

One of their recent mailings contained a fascinating handwritten letter by Van Paassen. It was dated July 20, 1933, just a few months after the Nazis came to power and was written to Dr. Rubinow of B'nai Brith.

Dr. Rubinow was then serving in Paris and Van Paassen's letter warned: "From what I hear, and I don't like to say it to a Jew, the worst is yet to come. The Jews have got to make up their minds in America to get *all* Jews out of Germany. If this is not done they will be systematically starved and done away with. We must abandon hope that Hitler will relent."

This letter is additional proof that Van Paassen belonged to the very few analysts who saw Nazi policy in a realistic light.

Van Paassen lectured extensively before Jewish groups (I remember that we had him once in our synagogue in Chicago), but until recently the effect of his warnings was believed to have been small. Yet it turns out that in a strange way he had an influence on no less a person than a future president of the United States.

Rabbi Plaut

A recent issue of the *Jerusalem Post International Edition* (Sept. 28) brought an article by Tom Tugend about Lyndon B. Johnson. It contains this observation:

"Johnson met his future wife, Lady Byrd, on Sept. 1, 1934 and instantly invited her for a ride in his car. He drove her around for eight hours, talking constantly . . . he proposed to her and gave her a rather unusual engagement gift."

The gift was a book written by Pierre Van Paassen and by James Waterman Wise (son of Stephen S. Wise) entitled *Nazism: An Assault on Civilization*. Eighteen authors contributed to the volume which contained predictions that Germany would attack Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, the Soviet Union and the United States — in that order — and would set in motion the extermination of the Jews.

Mr. Tugend then asked: "Why did Johnson, a highly pragmatic and often ruthless politician, take such an early interest in the Jews? . . . There was something about him that made him sympathize with the underdog. It may have been his harsh boyhood in a Texas hill country or (according to one observer) his sense of emptiness, a hole in his psyche, that made him identify with the prosecuted."

The article goes on to say that Johnson had become friends with Jim and Louis Novy, two Jewish brothers whom he knew from Austin, Texas. When LBJ learned in 1938 that Jim was planning a trip to Germany, the then congressman and rising star in the Roosevelt entourage phoned him and said: "I want you to get out as many Jews as possible because they are going to be killed." There is little question that he came to this conviction through the Van Paassen-Wise book.

All of this is less a contribution to the controversial evaluation of President Johnson than a note on the unpredictable influence of one man's conviction. That young LBJ should give the woman he was wooing a gift book on the dangers of Nazism was surely a most unlikely happenstance. But ideas have their own way of traveling through the recesses of history, and the now visible line from Van Paassen to Johnson is but one example of it.

It should be remembered that Van Paassen, a Dutch born Calvinist, lived for many years in Canada, and perhaps it was here that he gained his love for Zionism from his Jewish friends. Who knows but that some Canadian Jew first led him to make the fate of the Jewish people his flaming concern.

I look forward to the Kirk-Tansey book.

Some small advantages can be found

Changing internal clocks is no easy task

By
ERICA MEYER RAUZIN

The recent shift from Daylight Saving Time upset our entire family.

The baby, who used to rise at the barely acceptable hour of 6 a.m., now chirps up at 5. There he was this morning, at the rooster's crow, if we had a rooster. Actually we don't need one anymore, or an alarm clock, for that matter. He toddles in, stands by my bed, and crows for us, "Up, Mommy. What doing? Where going? Out? Cookie?" It's a veritable onslaught, his entire vocabulary at one drop, and so early.

There is no retreat. He's up and merry. He got me out of bed this morning in time to milk the cow, if we had cows. He was followed, a half-hour later, by his 5-year-old sister, who isn't adjusting any better but who is far more verbal about it. I tried to take her back to bed.

"But, Mommy, she said, "My mouth feels ready for breakfast."

When I finally stood up, with them — if not, to them — the clock said 6 a.m. Still, my body knew it was "really" 7, so I felt like I'd sneaked an extra hour of sleep. Alas, the flip side is that I was a zombie by 10 p.m. flat out, snoring before Ted Koppel or the end of the World Series.

Erica Meyer Rauzin

The change in the clock ruined our established meal times. Children who have breakfast at 6:30 a.m. want snacks by 10 a.m. but don't want lunch until 2 p.m. Our meal times are skewed, bed times are skewered and sleep times are ruined. Dawn is cheery, but supper is dark. This is change for change's sake, and I say nuts to it.

Don't even ask about the impact upon Shabbat, which now descends before 6 p.m. and flees before 7 p.m. There is no way to get ready so early, to have everything cooked and everyone home, to have candles lit and bread baked and dinner done, to have flowers arranged, invitations issued (or accepted), and children bathed. And on Saturday, just when we're getting into the spirit of Shabbat, after services and lunch and a little nap, it's over. Done with. Havdalah descends long before the afternoon's conversations or games or strolls are completed.

Once one gets over the shock of all this shifting about, there are some small advantages, mostly centred upon reclaiming Saturday night for recreation. Now there's time for both a restaurant dinner and a movie, instead of just one or the other. After all, when Havdalah doesn't come until 9:05, you can just barely make it to the late show at the neighborhood multiplex.

For another, the kids will go to bed far more co-operatively once they get adjusted. Summer bedtimes are far more difficult. No self-respecting 5-year-old will consent to go to sleep when there is still rosy light in the sky.

Still, the disadvantages of the time change far outweigh the few small pluses.

Modern life has bestowed upon us far too many machines with internal clocks that have to be reset, unless one wants to fax, modem or microwave out of sync with the universe for six months. Every time (you should pardon the expression) that I get one clock readjusted, I find three others ticking merrily away an hour out of gear: the digital on the oven, the LED on the VCR, the timer on the toaster. Our watches and car dashboard clocks are sources of perpetual panic for the first week, as they swear we are late when we're actually early.

Let me tell you, daughter, I have certain machines I expect to lie to me — my scale, the calculator in my cheque-book — but I always thought I could trust my clocks (honest faces, and all that). Now, get back in bed until you hear me call you. Take the baby with you, and on your way, do milk the cows.

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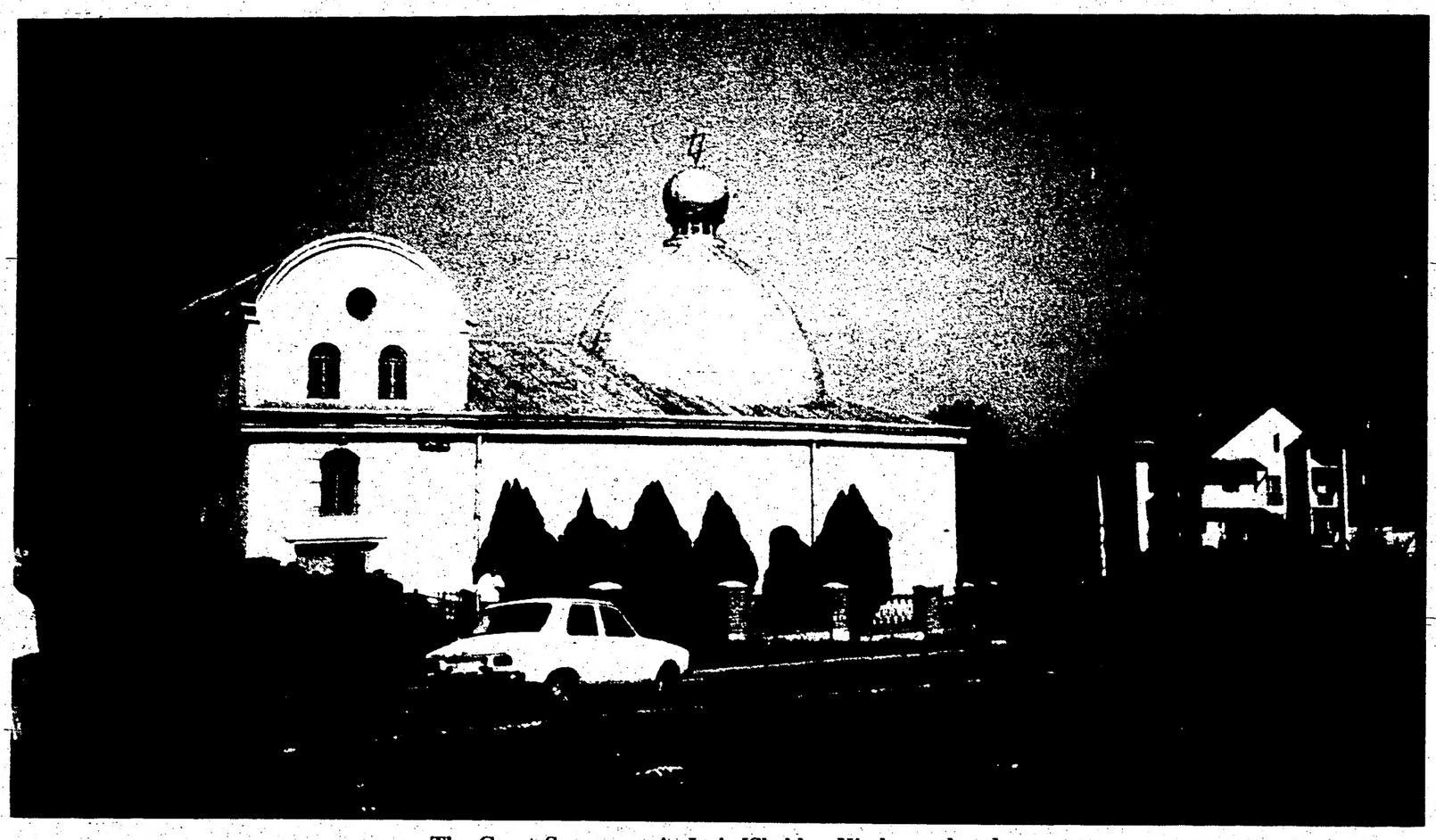

The Great Synagogue in Iasi. [Sheldon Kirshner photo]

Iasi's last chapter has been written

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

In a field abutting Iasi's Moorish, silver-domed Great Synagogue, a simple white obelisk commemorates 48 hours of horror and death.

Fifty years ago last June, one of the most unspeakable pogroms of the Holocaust took place in this Romanian city, a centre of Jewish life and learning until World War II.

On June 28-29 1941, about a week after Nazi Germany invaded the Soviet Union, German and Romanian troops and policemen, aided by local residents, killed thousands of Jews in a deliberate orgy of mindless hatred.

The pogrom was sparked by malicious rumors that Jews in Iasi — a redoubt of the fascist Iron Guard movement — had betrayed Romanian military positions to the Soviet enemy and had shot German and Romanian soldiers. German and Romanian armies in and around Iasi — which is close to the Soviet border — had been massing for an offensive against the Soviet Union. Amidst these manoeuvres, anti-Semitic tensions rose — presumably fanned by the Iron Guard, which, in January of 1941, had perpetrated a pogrom in Bucharest that had claimed the lives of 130 Jews.

With Germany and Romania poised to strike across the Prut River into the Soviet Union, German and Romanian patrols, aided by blood-thirsty civilians, lashed out against Jews.

Some were brutally murdered on streets, while others were rounded up and taken to a police building courtyard on 6A V. Aleecsandri Street, and ruthlessly shot. Still others were hastily packed into train cars and left to die of suffocation en route to concentration camps.

At war crimes trials after the war, the chief prosecutor said that 12,000 Jews had died in the pogrom.

Simion Caufman, 82, remembers it well, for he is one of the suvivors.

A retired pharmacist and currently president of Iasi's Jewish community, Caufman owes his life to a Christian friend, now deceased, who hid him in an attic as the pogrom raged.

Caufman's three brothers were not so fortunate. They perished in the nightmare.

And now, five decades later, Caufman, soft-spoken and somewhat frail, stands in the Great Synagogue's Jewish Museum, and, misty-eyed, points to a set of framed black-and-white photographs of Christians who saved threatened Jews like himself.

"They risked their lives for us," says Caufman in Yiddish, his voice choking.

The Iasi pogrom, of course, is voluminously documented in this modest museum, which was inaugurated by Chief Rabbi Moses Rosen on June 29, 1986. But there is much more to the museum than the Holocaust. Five centuries of Jewish existence are celebrated here.

Romanian Jews suffered greatly

Iasi, the chief city in Moldavia, was settled by Jewish merchants. By the turn of the 19th century, Iasi was home to nearly 40,000 Jews, including Talmudic scholars such as Joseph Landau and Aaron Taubes and Zionist figures like Karpel Lippe and Naphtali Herz Imber (who composed Israel's national anthem, *Hatikvah.)*

Iasi, too, was the cradle of professional Yiddish theatre. In 1876, Abraham Goldfaden — the father of the Yiddish theatre — presented his first operettas in Iasi, in what is today Iasi's ornate municipal theatre. On the grassy grounds of the theatre is a bust of Goldfaden, now defaced by a black swastika.

Among the exhibits in the museum is a map of Jewish Iasi, with all its synagogues, day schools and various institutions.

It is said that there were 112 synagogues in Iasi on the eve of World War II. Seventeen were strung out along the Street of Synagogues, in the heart of the former ghetto and the site of the Great Synagogue.

Originally built in 1580, the Great Synagogue was restored in 1671, damaged by the Nazis, refurbished after the war and renovated yet again following an earthquake in March 1977.

But, prior to World War II, Iasi was also a centre of anti-Jewish agitation. Some of Romania's most outspoken anti-Semitic activists — notably A.C. Cuza and Cornelius Codreanu — lived here.

Since the war, emigration has taken an immense toll on Iasi's Jewish community, with virtually all of its former inhabitants having settled in Israel. "Life is difficult in Romania, and Jews want to live in their own country, Israel," says Yitzhak Schwartz, a Yiddish writer in his 80s who writes under the pseudynom of A. Kara. (His sister, Ruth Blanch, lives in Toronto.)

"We are very few now," he adds.

Iasi, a grimy industrial city of 400,000, has a Jewish population of about 1,000. But since most of its remaining Jews are over the age of 60 and since many young Jews want to immigrate to Israel, the community's future is at best uncertain.

Caufman also hoped to leave Iasi, but Rabbi Rosen asked him to stay on. His married daughter, Odette Blumenfeld, a professor of English literature at the University of Iasi, has considered emigration. But for the time being, she and her husband, an engineer, are content to remain in Romania.

Although the community has two functioning schools, with 80 students, a kosher canteen, a meals-on-wheels and general social welfare program, there is no rabbi. The last rabbi emigrated four years ago, bound for Israel. There is no shochet, but kosher meat is available.

Buildings once associated with the community have been taken over by the city. The old Jewish vocational school has been converted into a school for the deaf, while the former Jewish hospital has been turned into a maternity clinic.

It seems clear that Iasi's once-vaunted status as an East European Jewish centre is inexorably drawing to a close. In Iasi, the last chapter has been written.

The ghosts of Sighisoara

By
RUTH GRUBER

Erich Ilie Raducan is unique.

The soft-spoken, retired lawyer is the last remaining Jew in Sighisoara, an ancient town in central Romania where, he said, about 300 Jews lived before the war.

"I come here to the synagogue just about every day," said Raducan. "There is a lot to do."

Sighisoara's synagogue, built in 1904, is just outside the town's beautiful medieval centre. It is a simple, charming building. Frescos of palm trees flank the ark in the main sanctuary, but there are no Torahs or ritual objects: All have been removed to Bucharest. Thin cobwebs hang from some of the pews.

"Once a year, the synagogue is thoroughly cleaned," Raducan said. "I would like to get repairs made on the exterior, to get an estimate for the work. But it will need the approval of the Federation of Jewish Communities."

No services have been held in Sighisoara for seven years.

"For the holidays, we few Jews from towns in this area gather in Medias, where about half a dozen Jews live," Raducan said. "We can get together 16 to 18 people. Until 1984, we gathered here in Sighisoara. Now we go to Medias — I go there by train. That's where we had our Seder this year."

Raducan said Jews settled in Sighisoara — which is situated in Transylvania and which has historically had a large German population — in the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

"There used to be a *beit hamidrash* (study hall), a kosher butcher," he said.

Raducan himself, however, is not originally from the town. He comes from Radauti, in the far north of the country.

He was deported to labor camps during the Second World War, and when he returned to Radauti afterward, he found "everything destroyed."

"I left to look for a job," he said. "I was a lawyer, and I was sent here. I've been here ever since, and have not been back to Radauti, even though my parents are buried in the cemetery there."

Now he's retired. Well known in the town, he can't ride his bicycle through the streets without acquaintances greeting him.

He tries as much as he can to maintain a Jewish life and a Jewish outlook.

"Yes, it is certainly important to carry on traditions," he said. "To maintain the synagogue."

(JTA)

The Jewish World

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Today, nearly two years after his violent death before a firing squad, it is fashionable to hate Nicolae Ceausescu, the despotic ruler of Romania for almost 25 years. But however hateful a figure he was, particularly in his last years, Ceausescu and his Communist predecessors allowed Jewish life to function. What's more, Ceausescu did not join the 1967 stampede by East European nations to sever diplomatic and all other relations with Israel.

Although they recognize and appreciate these facts, Jews in Romania are plainly glad to be rid of communism, which imposed dictatorship and hardship on the nation for too long. Like most Romanians, they are basking in the warmth of democracy, though they realize that Romania's road to untrammelled liberty and a free market economy will be studded with countless obstacles.

Last month, when I had the opportunity to visit Romania, one of the topics I raised with members of the Jewish community was what life was like under communism.

What follows are impressions.

Romanian Jewry suffered badly during World War II. Close to 50 per cent of Romanian Jews perished in the Holocaust, some of them killed by Marshal Ion Antonescu's troops. After the war, numerous Jews left the country, usually bound for Israel. But a substantial number remained behind, hoping to find salvation in a Communist society that supposedly would treat all Romanians — Jews or not — as equals.

It sounded too good to be true, but in the early years, I learned, the Romanian government was committed to that ideal and was officially against anti-Semitism. During that period, a considerable number of Jews Romanized their names, married out of the faith and held influential jobs. Chief among them was Ana Pauker (nee Rabinsohn), who would be foreign minister and deputy prime minister. Pauker was the daughter of a kosher butcher from Iasi who, as Edward Behr writes in *Kiss The Hand You Cannot Bite* (Villard Books, $30), "combined atheism and an unshakable faith in Stalin with... sympathy for Israel and for the Romanian chief rabbi, Moses Rosen."

Life under Ceausescu

Under communism, the safety of the Jewish community was guaranteed and its organizational structure was allowed to remain intact. Synagogues, schools and clubs functioned. The Yiddish State Theatre performed. Yiddish books were published. Kosher meat and matzah were available.

At a time when Communist regimes practically everywhere were cracking down on Jewish communities and imprisoning and even murdering some of their brightest figures, Romanian Jewry muddled through.

But things were far from perfect.

By the late 1960s, when Romania was widely praised in the West for its relatively independent (read anti-Soviet) foreign policy, Jews who had attained prestigious positions were gradually eased out and replaced by non-Jews. It was not surprising. A similar process had occurred in the Soviet Union between the 1930s and 1940s, in Czechoslovakia in the 1950s and in Poland in the 1960s.

In some cases, Jews were demoted simply because their relatives had emigrated. Emigration procedures could be lengthy and costly, but Jews were permitted to leave.

In the mid-1980s, much of the old, picturesque Jewish neighborhood in Bucharest was demolished to make way for faceless apartment blocks.

Fear was a constant, and in Ceausescu's centrally-controlled police state, the Securitate — the dreaded secret police — kept a close eye on the Jewish community. "We were watched," a man in the Transylvanian city of Brasov admitted. "They said it was for our protection."

During his final decade in power, Ceausescu occasionally tolerated elliptical but open anti-Semitic outbursts, particularly by Corneliu Vadim Tudor, a poet/propagandist who now edits *Romania Mare*, an anti-Jewish tabloid. But these flashes of Judeophobia were promptly smothered in the interests of maintaining cordial relations with the West. Popular, grassroots anti-Semitism did not disappear, but that's another story.

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Organizations and People

Wolfe honored as Woman of Valour

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

It was an evening of much praise and some tears, when community activist Rose Wolfe was presented with the fourth annual Woman of Valour Award at a recent program of the Business and Professional (B&P) Women's Network of United Jewish Appeal/Operation Exodus.

Emotions ran high as Wolfe's daughter, Elizabeth, introduced her mother as a woman ahead of her time, who overcame anti-Semitism and stereotyping in her determination to protect the rights of her own and other communities.

"As her daughter, I continue to be amazed by the sheer degree of energy, devotion, insight and professionalism she brings to each new task," Elizabeth said. "I am filled with love, admiration and respect for my mother, who is indeed a woman of valor."

Wolfe was presented with a bronze sculpture by artist Ernest Raab, titled Generation to Generation, and was lauded by a number of speakers as someone whose community involvement goes beyond the Jewish milieu.

Wolfe, a social worker by profession, has served as president of Jewish Family & Child Service, president of Toronto Jewish Congress, chairman of the community relations committee of Canadian Jewish Congress and now serves as chancellor of the University of Toronto, the first woman and the first Jew to hold that post. She is also a member of the board of directors of *The Canadian Jewish News*.

In accepting the award, Wolfe noted that she was happy her close friends were present, sitting nearby in the "crying section." She traced her involvement in Jewish affairs to 1959 after she and her late husband, Ray Wolfe, returned from a trip to Israel.

She was asked to describe her experience in the Jewish state at a community meeting. As she spoke, the room went completely quiet. "I remember feeling this incredible sense of bonding."

Her involvement in community organizations began because "I was asked." She became a vice-president of the Women's Division of campaign, and quickly organized a young leadership development program, "something the men finally copied."

She said her recent appointment as University of Toronto chancellor indicates that working for a particular multicultural group receives recognition in the broader community and that "minority groups count."

In other addresses to the approximately 150 women (and a handful of men) present, Robin Kachuk, co-chairman of the B&P Women's Network, said the involvement of Jewish women in fundraising has given them a greater role in decision-making. She noted that the network was hoping to exceed last year's total of $800,000 raised for Operation Exodus and the regular campaign.

Network hoping to exceed $800,000

Grace Shafran, co-chairman of the evening event, named previous recipients of the Woman of Valour award: Susan Maddox, the Eckville parent who was among the first to raise concerns over the anti-Semitic teaching of Jim Keegstra; Gerda Stein-Frieberg, former chairman of TJC's Holocaust Remembrance Committee; and Julia Koschitzky, president of the United Israel Appeal.

Others who briefly addressed the meeting included Edie Harlang, co-chairman of the B&P Women's Network, Paul Morton, 1992 co-chair of the UJA/Operation Exodus campaign and Susan Michaels, co-chair of the Woman of Valour evening.

The Business and Professional Women's Network of UJA recently honored Rose Wolfe with the Woman of Valour Award for her contributions to the Jewish community. Pictured are Rose Wolfe (right) and her daughter Elizabeth, who introduced her. [Paul Lungen photo]

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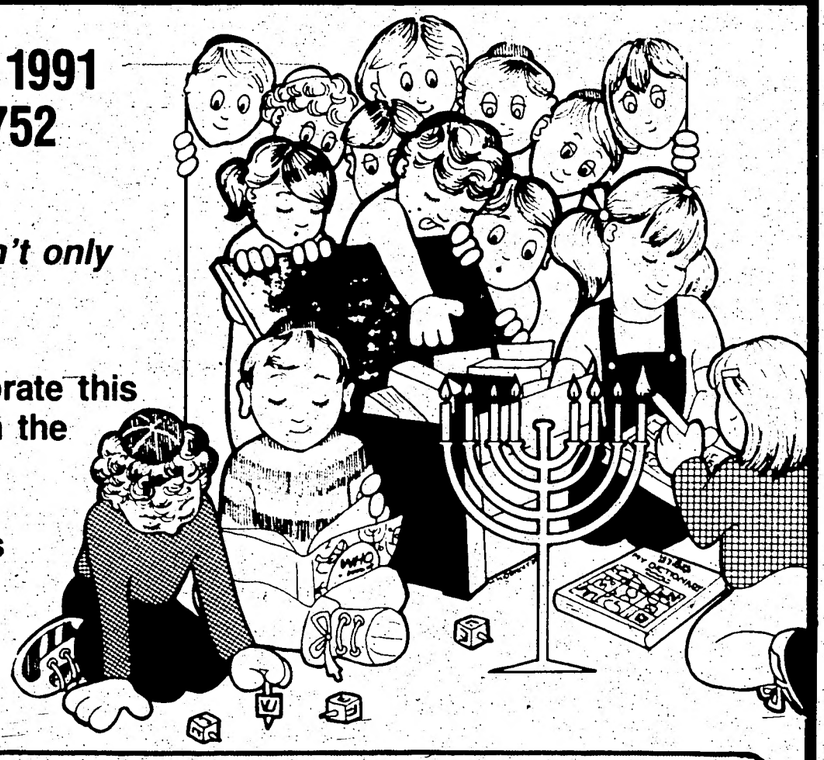

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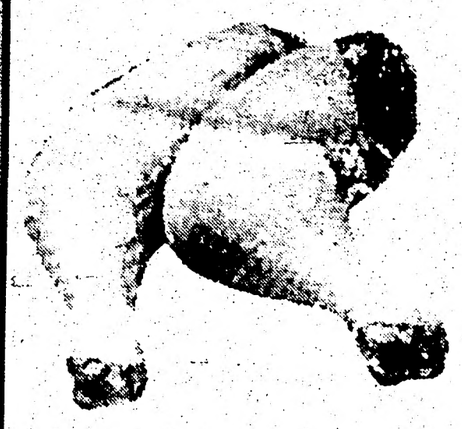

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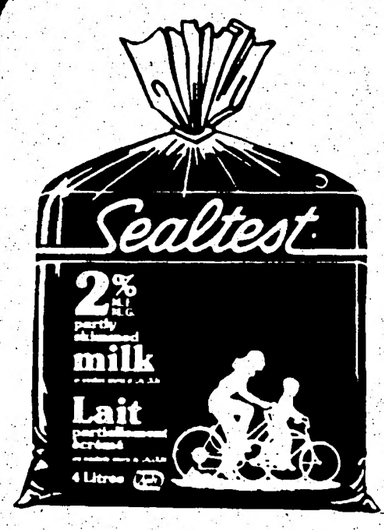

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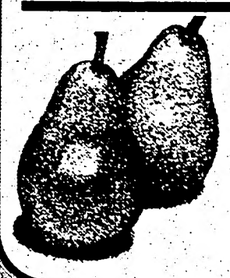

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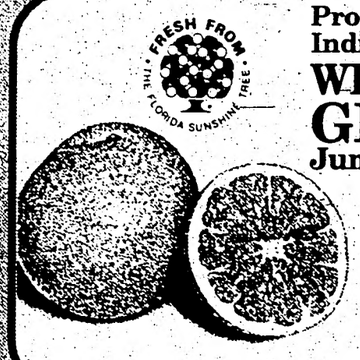

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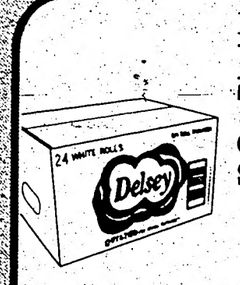

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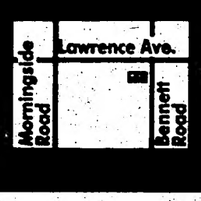

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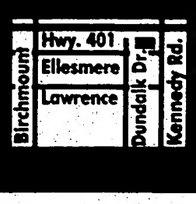

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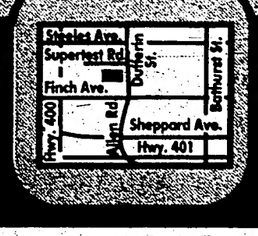

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Organizations and People

UN resolutions the basis of Madrid talks: Ben Dor

By
BILL GLADSTONE

TORONTO —

Nearly four decades ago, Ruth Leroy, then a busy young mother in Toronto, spent six weeks in Israel at a World Zionist Congress seminar, a dramatic experience that changed her life.

A member of Na'amat Canada (formerly Pioneer Women) since 1947 and the president of the central region of the Canadian Zionist Federation (CZF) since 1989, Leroy was recently honored with a tribute dinner at the Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue for her long record of dedicated work and impressive achievement on behalf of the State of Israel.

Speaking about her longtime friend and associate before about 180 people, CZF co-chairman Mirial Small said Leroy "epitomizes the truly dedicated Zionist, one who not only believes [in the Jewish cause] but takes action."

A nursing home administrator, Leroy launched Na'amat's continuing "Adopt A Child" project in 1960 and co-chaired the CZF's highly successful "Israel Day" celebration which drew some 36,000 people to Ontario Place in 1979. As the CZF's chairman for Soviet Jewry, she organized a massive protest rally at Toronto City Hall and another large rally in Ottawa.

Among those who paid tribute to her were Israeli Consul Oren David, North York Mayor Mel Lastman, Na'amat Toronto president Emily Brown and CZF national president Kurt Rothschild.

In response, Leroy said, "The only thing that can top this is that the Madrid peace conference should be successful." She also thanked her husband, Max Leroy, whom she said "has come a long way."

Planned months in advance, the Leroy tribute coincided with the second day of the Madrid conference. The evening's guest speaker, Prof. Gabriel Ben Dor, a visiting professor at York University and former rector of Haifa University, used the occasion to discuss the conference and convey his optimism that "something very profound is in the offing."

The speaker, who acted as an Israeli peace negotiator after the 1973 war, began by explaining the formal legal basis of the talks, which gained legitimacy not through their sponsorship by the United States but rather because of UN Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338 and the Camp David accords — "the three foundations upon which this conference stands in international law."

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"These and only these three resolutions have been accepted by the United States, Israel and the Arab states that are the key players in the current drama," he said.

Drafted in November 1967, Resolution 242 requires the "withdrawal of Israeli armed forces from territories occupied in the recent conflict" and asserts that every state in the region has a "right to live in peace within secure and recognized boundaries free from threats or acts of force." The "land-for-peace" equation that many Arab governments and the Bush-Baker administration have endorsed has been incorrectly extrapolated from these principles, Ben Dor said.

The omission of a definite article before "territories" was deliberate, he said; 242 obliges Israel to return some "territories," not all "the territories." "British Lord Carrington and other architects or 242 "had full command of the English language and knew what they were doing," he said. "The idea that Israel violates 242 by not withdrawing from all the occupied territories is just a big lie. It is wrong historically, legally and morally and it must be corrected."

The collapse of the Soviet Union, he said, has had a dramatic effect on the Arabs' perception of their military strength. "There's a sentiment in the Arab world that time is running out for them. The Arabs know they can no longer fight wars against Israel and lose, then expect to be re-equipped by the Soviets for the next war."

The historic liaison between Arab and Jew in Madrid signalled that the longstanding Arab taboo against Israel has been broken, he said. "Radical Arabs understood that they've been let down and they know that this process can't be reversed." As well, he noted that Israel's conditions for participating were met: for instance, the Soviet Union renewed diplomatic relations, the PLO was absent, and there was no negotiation over the existence of a Palestinian state.

These are good signs, he said, expressing optimism about the future. He compared the situation of world Jewry today with the unprecedented tragedy of 50 years ago when "we had no state, we were being butchered by the millions, we had no hope, no future, no nothing.

"Now we have a state, and now we're arguing about how much territory we're going to return. Nobody argues anymore about our existence. If you look at the picture decade by decade, the picture is a very bright one."

Diller headlines Mirvish evening

TORONTO —

Ed and Anne Mirvish will be the honorees at a celebrity-studded Boulevard of Stars evening presented by Toronto ORT on Sunday, Nov. 24 at the Royal Alexandra Theatre.

Headlining the gala will be comedienne Phyllis Diller.

The glitzy evening will resemble an old-style Hollywood movie premiere, complete with spotlights and the red-carpet treatment, says event co-chairman Brigitte Bass.

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All proceeds will go to the Ed and Anne Mirvish Perpetual Scholarship Endowment Fund, set up by ORT's worldwide network of vocational schools.

The evening's other co-chairman is Arleen Engelberg.

The tribute committee is headed by Ontario Premier Bob Rae, Metro chairman Alan Tonks and retiring Toronto mayor Art Eggleton.

Invited to perform with Diller are such celebrities as Peggy Lee, Tony Bennett, Jack Lemmon, Eli Wallach, Jack Carter, Douglas Fairbanks Jr., Karen Kain, Tom Kneebone and Hal Linden.

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Organizations and People

Distinct society favored

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Canada must grant Quebec distinct society status and acknowledge aboriginal peoples' right to self-government if it is to survive, Premier Bob Rae's parliamentary secretary told a public affairs forum last week.

Rosario Marchese told a panel on Canadian unity at the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living that Ottawa must seek "a balance between compromise and accommodation" if Canada is to stay together.

Marchese, the MPP for Fort York, joined Reform Party representative Frank Shostack, Liberal MPP Elinor Caplan and City-TV ombudsman Peter Silverman in presenting different views of what Canada should do to keep from breaking up.

In the wake of Quebec's announcement last week that Ottawa's current constitutional proposals are unacceptable, Marchese said Ottawa must grant special status and more powers to Quebec, as well as begin the process of native self-government.

Multiculturalism, he said, will "strengthen" Canada and it should be encouraged.

The entire Canadian populace must get involved in the constitutional debate, he said. "It would be a big mistake if we left it up to politicians, professors, lawyers and the media.

Shostack, a member of the Reform Party's Willowdale riding association, outlined why his party seeks the abolition of federal funding for multiculturalism.

Elinor Caplan

"Anyone who questions bilingualism and multiculturalism is branded racist. Prejudice means to pre-judge. The Reform party is totally opposed to prejudice because [the party] proposes to unite Canadians based on equality."

He said Ottawa is mistaken in trying to unite Canadians based on language, cultural and racial differences.

"Let us look at what we share. Let's get together based on our similarities. To be tolerant of other heritages doesn't mean we have to fund them."

Shostack agreed all Canadians should be involved in the constitutional debate.

Caplan said she's normally optimistic but admitted she doesn't know whether Canada will survive.

If Quebec leaves Confederation, "Canada cannot survive, and Ontario will have to look at options that are unacceptable.

"We must find compromises. We cannot give up."

Silverman, a one-time history professor, said the problem with Canadians is that we lack a "common mythology."

Canadians have no common identity, symbols or beliefs, he said.

French-Canadians "are a conquered people. When you're conquered, you have two options: assimilate or survive. You can't tell Quebecers, who have fought for their culture for 350 years, that they're now one of the boys."

Silverman said he doubts Canadians will find a common identity because the will for it is missing.

"We're tired of the constitution, of taxes, of free trade. We're a beat-up people."

He said if anyone has the vision and intellect to lead Canada out of its current constitutional woes, it's Premier Rae.

Soviet Jewish culture focus of writer's lecture

TORONTO —

What happened to the Communist dream of a mass Yiddish culture in the Soviet Union?

This is the subject to be discussed in Yiddish and English by Gennadi Estraikh, a prominent Soviet-Yiddish writer, in Toronto Nov. 17 at 8.30 p.m. at the Workmen's Circle, 471 Lawrence Ave.W.

This is part of a tour of seven cities in Canada and the United States when Estraikh will speak on Perspectives for Jewish Culture in the Soviet Union.'

His talk in Toronto is sponsored by the Yiddish Kultur Gazelshaft and the committee for Yiddish of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto. Estraikh was invited by the Morris Winchevsky Schools.

In Montreal he will speak Sunday Dec. 1, at 2 p.m., at the Montreal Jewish Library under their auspices.

He speaks in Winnipeg at the Jewish Community Centre, 370 Hargreave St. Nov. 19, under sponsorship of the Centre, the committee for Yiddish, the Levick Lodge of B'nai Brith, and the United Jewish People's Order of Winnipeg.

U.S. tour

His talk in Vancouver on Nov. 21 is under the auspices of the Peretz School and the Vancouver United Jewish People's Order.

The U.S. tour will follow with lectures in Los Angeles on Sunday, Nov. 24, in Miami on Nov. 26 and New York, Nov. 30.

This fall Estraikh began his doctoral studies at Oxford University where he plans to write a thesis on Yiddish in the Soviet Union.

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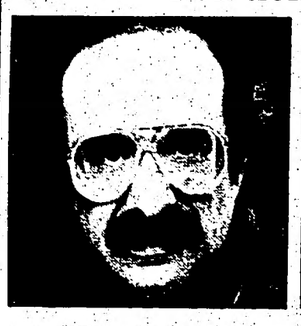
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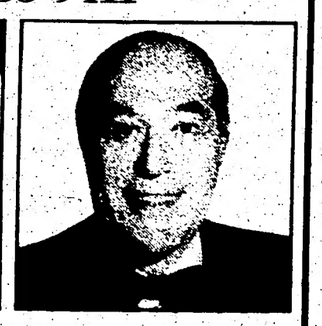
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Organizations and People

OSI helps stop war criminals from entering U.S., says Sher

Holocaust Education Week

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Just one day before he was to fly to Toronto to address a meeting on the prosecution of Nazi war criminals, Neal Sher received an unexpected telephone call.

Officials at the Miami airport were calling the Washington-based Nazi hunter for advice on what to do about a German citizen attempting to enter the country. The man's name had shown up on an immigration "watch list" as a former SS guard at a Nazi concentration camp.

After denying the allegation, the man was asked to remove his shirt and a visual observation of his SS tatoo (which allowed the SS to get preferential medical treatment) confirmed the suspicions.

Without further ado he was ushered onto the next available flight out of the country, Sher said.

Chalk up another victory for the U.S. Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations (OSI) which is charged with bringing Nazi war criminals to justice.

On average, several cases arise each month of Nazis being turned away at the border — including two Canadians who attempted entry within the past 18 months — said Sher, director of the OSI.

The OSI provides immigration authorities with names for the watch list from various rosters of war criminal suspects and the process of expulsion is quite rapid, Sher said, since without a visa those entering have virtually no rights.

One person Sher doubts will attempt to enter the United States is Arthur Rudolph, the former Nazi rocket scientist who left the country after signing a document acknowledging he had participated in the persecution of civilian laborers at a V-2 rocket plant. Rudolph managed to enter Canada in July, 1990 and his presence triggered a lengthy immigration hearing after which he was ordered out of the country.

Since the OSI was founded in 1979, 600 suspects have been investigated and about 85 cases have been filed. Thirty-five people have been stripped of their U.S. citizenship and a further 20 cases are pending.

Some of the higher profile cases are well known: John Demjanjuk, extradited to Israel to face trial for being "Ivan the Terrible," the guard at the Treblinka death camp convicted for running the gas-making machinery that killed an estimated 900,000 Jews; Andrija Artukovic, the former Croatian interior minister responsible for the fascist state's police and concentration camps.

The bulk of the current cases consist of SS concentration camp guards as well as police and para-military units engaged in war crimes, he said. Others include civil administrators such as the former mayor of Kaunas, Lithuania, who was involved in ghettoizing the Jewish population. He is now contesting deportation proceedings, Sher said.

Sher said the OSI does not wait for leads to come in — more often than not, "off-the-street allegations don't pan out" — but actively seeks suspects by comparing rosters of people serving in concentration camps or in killing units with U.S immigration lists.

Turning to critics of the OSI such as U.S. syndicated columnist Pat Buchanan — "the guru of those attacking the OSI" — Sher said the journalist has never called him to get the Justice Department's side of cases he has championed.

Allegations that the OSI has withheld evidence that would have exonerated war criminals like Demjanjuk have been proven "to be wholly without substance," he added.

Sher was introduced to the lunchtime meeting at the Jewish Community Centre's Bloor Y Branch by lawyer Bert Raphael. The talk was held during Holocaust Education Week and was sponsored by the Jewish Civil Rights Educational Foundation of Canada.

Neal Sher, director of the Office of Special Investigations (OSI).

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Czech Jew goes home for solemn ceremony

By
BILL GLADSTONE

TORONTO —

Two years ago, during his first visit back to his homeland of Czechoslovakia since the end of World War II, Torontonian John Freund vowed never to return unless that country acknowledged the Nazi's special war against the Jews and its tragic consequences for European Jewry.

Freund — who spent 18 months of his adolescence in the Theresienstadt ghetto before being shipped to Auschwitz — returned to Czechoslovakia last month to attend a series of remembrances marking the 50th anniversary of the first deportations of Jews to the Theresienstadt ghetto in 1941.

"It's highly significant that the Czechs finally want to make up to the Jews," he said. "They're finally breaking the silence into which they were forced by the Russians, and admitting that it was mainly Jews who were killed in the Holocaust."

Herzog visits

Some 400 Theresienstadt survivors from around the world, including about 60 from Israel and more than a dozen from Canada, converged on Prague in mid-October for the solemn commemorative ceremonies.

Czech Prime Minister Vaclav Havel and Israeli President Chaim Herzog, who was repaying a state visit made by Havel last year, topped the list of political dignitaries from those two countries at the ceremonies.

Herzog laid a wreath to Holocaust victims in a public square and unveiled a plaque to the memory of more than 800,000 Czech Jews murdered by the Nazis between 1941 and 1945.

The plaque marks the spot from which about 180,000 Jews were deported to Theresienstadt, including about 80,000 Czech Jews from the provinces of Bohemia and Moravia.

From there, participants journeyed to Theresienstadt, where a Museum of the Ghetto was opened in the former soldiers' barracks that became a boy's home in the ghetto and afterwards housed the KGB-like state police until the "Velvet Revolution" of 1989.

Recently added above the door, the Hebrew word "Yiscor" ("Remembrance") is possibly the first Hebrew allowed on a public building in the country in more than half a century.

Theresienstadt, known to Czechs as Terezin, was built as an armory in the days of the Habsburg Empress Maria Theresa (1723-1780). In the four years that the Nazis used it as a Jewish ghetto, they typically crammed roughly 80,000 people into living quarters meant for no more than 3,000.

"It was a crowded ghetto," Freund recalls. "Transports went regularly from there to Auschwitz in southwest Poland. I remember the trip took about 18 hours. We were shipped in closed cattle cars."

Inmates of Theresienstadt, of which some 1,500 are thought to still be alive, were permitted to stage musical events, which explains why *Brundibar*, a children's opera, was performed during the commemoration. "This lady had been one of the kids in the original performance — it was obviously quite moving for her," Freund said, pointing to a pho-

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Father's heart-wrenching tale carried on through his son

Holocaust Education Week

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

"Please don't judge me too harshly."

This heart-wrenching plea was made to 22-year-old Bernie Farber by his father, after telling him for the first time about a wife and two children lost in the Holocaust.

The elder Farber, on an expedition to find food for the ghetto, arrived back to find an aktion going on. All the rest of the 200 Jews were taken away to Treblinka and murdered — including his wife, Zissia, "the love of his life" and two sons, Sholom and Yitzhok.

After being hidden by a righteous gentile for three months, he fought with the partisans for the rest of the war.

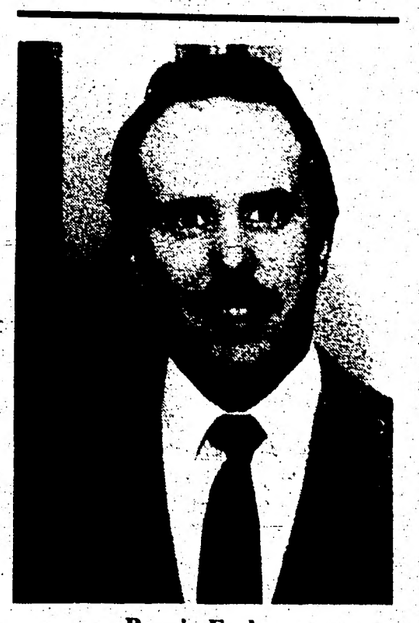
He came to Canada after the war, where he married, and had two sons, Stanley, and Bernie, now associate national director for community relations, Canadian Jewish Congress.

His new wife used to say it took five years before she could make him smile.

Bernie remembers waking to hear his father screaming, and trying to understand when his father would suddenly stop in the middle of playing with him and cry.

It was not until Bernie's mother, dying of cancer, persuaded him that he told his sons about the half-brothers they never knew.

Now, Bernie Farber told a hushed audience at a Holocaust Education week lecture sponsored by Beth Avraham Yoseph Congregation, he is a parent to a third generation. He feels the obligation to tell his father's story.



Bernie Farber

'Racism leads to gas chambers'

But he does not see it just as an obligation. Especially, he says, it cannot and must not be a burden. To him, it is a necessity.

"Our parents are our only link to people we should have known. Only by remembering will the life of Sholom and Yitzchok have any meaning."

Bernie Farber says he does not see the story of the Holocaust as being only one of despair. In many ways, he says, it is one of hope.

"Hitler is dead. For 5,000 years our enemies have tried to get rid of us. And we are still here."

It will be the third generation, he said, who will ultimately have the obligation to pass on the story of the Holocaust, after there are no survivors left.

Dark forces, Holocaust deniers, anti-Semites, racists are everywhere, warned Farber.

"And Jews know where racism leads — right to the gas chambers."

A member of the audience demanded to know how we can keep the memory alive when some in the Jewish community try to minimize it.

He especially noted the Lubavitch, who, he said, quoting Rabbi Immanuel Shochet, "claim that the Holocaust is no different from any other tragedy," and do not even put Yom Hashoah on their calendars.

Farber refused to comment without a full text of Rabbi Shochet's speech, but noted that there are "numerous concepts of the tragedy of the Shoah."

Farber urged survivors to allow people from the Holocaust Memorial Centre to videotype them, and for young people (over grade 8)to be taken to the centre.

He suggested children from the ages of 8 to 12 read *I never Saw Another Butterfly*, a book of poems written by children in Terezin concentration camp.

And what about his father's fear of being judged, a concern, noted Farber and several in the audience, of many survivors?

"I never thought of judging him. He was a hero, that's all — he was a hero."

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Organizations and People

Paper protested

By
FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

The Coalition for Fair News Coverage began the month of November with the first in a series of biweekly Friday noon-hour demonstrations outside the Toronto Star building at Number One Yonge Street to protest that newspaper's Middle East coverage.

The coalition, which includes members of Metro Toronto synagogues, the Toronto Zionist Council, Jewish War Veterans of Canada, North American Jewish Student Network, Canadian Young Judaea and the Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association, is protesting the *Star's* "anti-Israel bias, omissions and inaccuracies."

A flyer handed out by about three dozen placard-carrying protesters at the first demonstration two weeks ago detailed objections to a two-page *Toronto Star* article entitled The Road to Madrid: A Primer on the Arab-Israeli Conflict.

Among its objections was the following: "The chronology of the map [accompanying the article] concerning the 1967 Mideast war incorrectly includes Jordan in Israel's pre-emptive strike against Egypt and Syria. On the contrary, Israel urged Jordan not to enter the war by attacking Israel. Jordan did attack, however, and as a result, she lost the areas of Judea and Samaria as well as the eastern part of Jerusalem which she had seized and illegally annexed in the 1948 war."

Helen Smolack, president of the Toronto Zionist Council, terms the demonstrations "a last resort when you can't reach them any other way." The TZC has received a lot of phone calls from people who had written letters of complaint (to *The Star*) that weren't published, said Smolack.

She also reported that a number of people have called Rod Goodman (the *Star* ombudsman), and her impression is that he "just wants to keep the peace."

"They do listen," said Smolack, "but we don't know whether they do anything about it. You never know whether they'll take action."

Phone numbers

The coalition provides a list of phone numbers for those who wish to protest or commend a media broadcast or news article, with a note indicating that each phone call to the media is considered to represent the views of some 200 people.

"I feel our [Mideast] coverage has been full and fair," says Ian Urquhart, managing editor at the *Toronto Star*.

"In any conflict situation we usually end up displeasing both sides. If there were inaccuracies, we would correct them."

"We have a legitimate complaint," says Smolack, referring not just to current coverage but going back over a period of years.

Phone numbers compiled. See page 30.

BARGAIN HUNTERS

Shoppers rummage through clothes in search of bargains at the 1991 annual Hadassah-WIZO bazaar at the CNE's Automotive Building. [Alron photo]

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WIFE ASSAULT IS AGAINST THE LAW.

WIZO's extensive network seen as helping new olim

By
MOURA WOLPERT

BURLINGTON —

Because Israel WIZO has the organizational structure "to get things done when you need them," the organization is able to provide services "every time something new arises."

"Whatever the need," Helena Glaser, chairman of the Israel WIZO Federation impressed upon an audience of Hadassah-WIZO members, "we are there!"

Glaser was the keynote speaker at the recent Canadian Hadassah-WIZO Great Lakes Regional Conference, which officially marked Hadassah-WIZO month. She described some of these services to about 70 delegates from Toronto, Hamilton, Kitchener-Waterloo, St. Catharines, Niagara Falls, Brantford, London and Guelph.

With its extensive network of volunteers, its schools, youth clubs, crisis centres and hot lines, for instance, WIZO was ready when the new olim came, Glaser told the women.

Within three days of the arrival of the first Ethiopian olim, who came with "absolutely nothing," she said, WIZO had shifts working from 8 a.m. to 8 or 9 p.m. distributing food parcels prepared by all of Israel's 69 supermarkets.

Israel WIZO also has a status of women committee, a legal advice bureau and "a whole network of services for battered women," including five shelters, Glaser said.

Elaborating on these services, Glaser explained the different needs of Ethiopian and Russian women.

Ethiopian women, for instance, often separated from their husbands because of the long immigration process, are poor, have no education and many children. Forced to live with another man, or if found living with another man many years later by their husbands, they are frequently abused and need help.

Most Russian single mothers, on the other hand, "are educated, with one or two children, and their problems," said Glaser, "are social. They need the support of social groups."

The conference was opened by regional chairman, Beverley Lasky, and following two videos, *Come Home To Your Country* and *Helping New Olim Realize Their Dreams*, national president, Esther Matlow, reviewed Canadian Hadassah-WIZO projects.

A membership/leadership workshops conducted by well-known community educator and training consultant, Selma Sage, rounded off the morning program.

Fund raising was discussed in the afternoon, with members from several centres describing some of their successful projects.

Trish Kaplan spoke on London's bingo project; Carol Grossman, Kitchener-Waterloo, told of her chapter's successful box lunch program; in St. Catharines, Chris Magder said, a wine tour got even husbands interested; and Miriam Silvert, now of Hamilton but who was last year's co-chairman of Ottawa's highly successful Chocolate Sunday, described how that event attracted some 35,000 people.

The conference concluded with a lively round table discussion, led by executive vice-president Lily Frank, of some of the problems and challenges faced by Canadian Hadassah-WIZO: the distances "of this enormous country;" how to attract new members; and how to remain inspired.

Twinning opposed

By
RON CSILLAG

VAUGHAN —

The Canadian Arab Federation is protesting the City of Vaughan's plans to twin with the Israeli city of Ramla.

In an Oct. 28 letter to Vaughan Mayor Lorna Jackson, federation president James Kafieh said "in view of Israel's atrocious human rights record and the recent history of the former Arab, now Israeli, town of Ramla, extreme caution should be used before proceeding [with the twinning]."

Kafieh adds that the twinning "would not be consistent with the values of Canada and the residents of Vaughan."

He requests that he and federation members be allowed to make submissions to the mayor and the city council if the proposal proceeds.

Vaughan formally twinned with the Italian city of Sora, east of Rome, in September 1990. Eighteen months ago, it began investigating twinning with Ramla, a city of 42,000 situated on Israel's coastal plain, about 18 km southeast of Tel Aviv.

Last May, Vaughan regional councillor David Chapley wrote Ramla's mayor, Moshe Peretz, stating that a resolution had been passed inviting him here to get acquainted and begin the symbolic twinning of the cities.

Peretz wrote back, indicating he may visit over the summer.

But Chapley discouraged a summer visit, saying the council recesses in July and August and most members, as well as the mayor, would be out of town.

Later last summer, Sam Helfenbaum, director of the Bequest and Endowment Fund, was in Israel on other business but was asked by Chapley, on behalf of the city, to visit Peretz and further explore proposed ties between the two cities.

Chapley told *The CJN* he has not heard from Peretz since.

But he added that the twinning is still in the works and that the invitation to Peretz is open.

Chapley said the twinning would be largely symbolic and involve mainly cultural and academic exchanges between the two cities.

He said he regrets that Arab-Canadians have "politicized" the twinning plans.

Israel's consul in Toronto, Oren David, was more blunt: "It's very upsetting that Arab-Canadians, who are Canadian citizens, are even more extreme, even more fanatical, than the PLO."

Ramla, he told *The CJN*, is within Israel's pre-1967 borders, which were recognized by PLO chief Yasser Arafat in December, 1988.

He said the city is not to be confused with Ramallah, which is in the territories.

"The number of Arab-Canadians, is minimal in Vaughan. But the number of Jews is substantial, so we are optimistic [about the twinning]."

He said Arab-Canadians "should be flattered" about the twinning because over 5,000 Arabs live in Ramla.

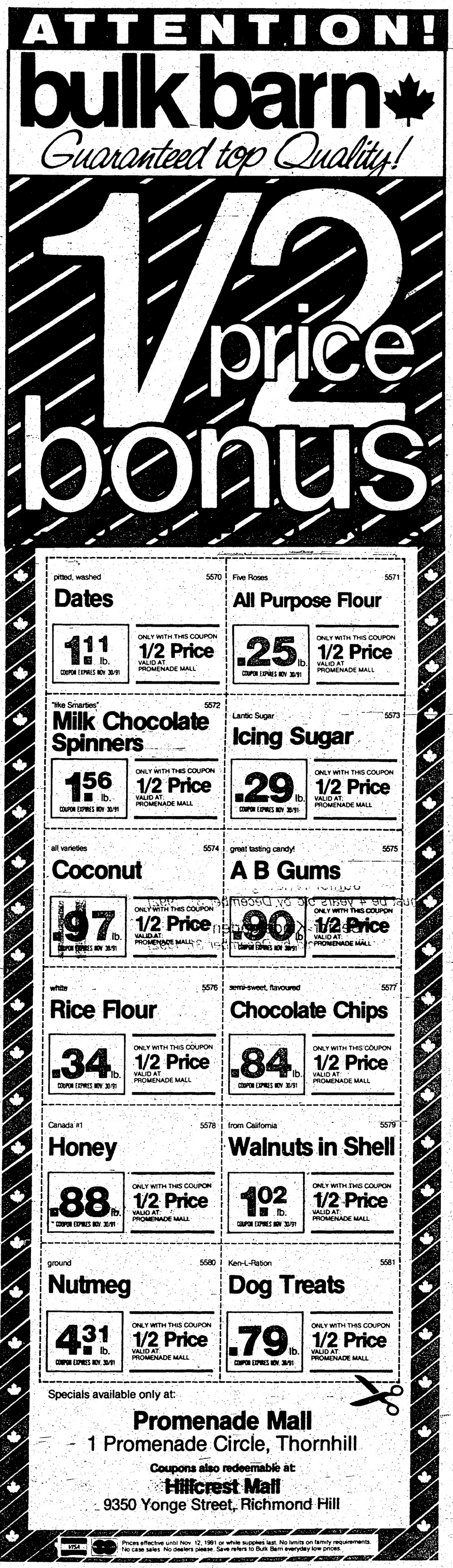
David said the Canadian Arab Federation does not represent the views of the majority of Arab-Canadians.

According to the *Encyclopedia Judaica*, Ramla was founded in 716 CE as the only city in the country established by Arabs. Anti-Jewish riots in 1936 drove out the town's five Jewish families.

The encyclopedia says Ramla remained mostly Arab until 1948, when Arabs "abandoned" the city after Israel seized it during the War of Independence.

Kafieh said last week that David Ben-Gurion, Israel's first Prime Minister, drove out Ramla's Arab residents "at gunpoint."

Jackson was unavailable for comment last week.



Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

DEADLINE REMINDER

Please note that the deadline for What's New and About People is Thursday, two weeks prior to publication date (i.e. Thursday, Nov. 14, is deadline for Nov. 28 issue, and Thursday, Nov. 21, is deadline for Dec. 5 issue).

Also, please remember that I am at my desk on Thursdays only to receive your calls and sort my mail. If you are sending in your material by phone, mail or fax, do see that it reaches me on time to be included in the proper column. I look forward to hearing from you.

Friday, Nov. 15

ADATH ISRAEL SINGLES

Adath Israel Singles (ages 30-50) is having its annual Shabbat dinner on Friday, Nov. 15, at 6:30 p.m. Prepaid reservations must be received in advance at the synagogue office, 37 Southbourne Ave.

For further information, call **Rabbi Sheldon Korn** at 635-5340.

HAPPY MUSICAL HOUR

Concert pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** will present a happy musical hour at Lincoln Place Nursing Home, 429 Walmer Rd., on Friday, Nov. 15, from 2-3 p.m.

The program will feature semi-classical, popular, Jewish and dancing music.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN CLUB

At the Women's Canadian Club of Toronto meeting on Friday, Nov. 15, the guest speaker will be cartoonist **Ben Wicks**. His subject — When the Boys Come Marching Home Again (World War II).

The time is 2:30 p.m. in the Civic Ballroom, Sheraton Centre Hotel, 123 Queen St. W. Guest tickets are $8. For information, call the club office at 923-2900.

Saturday, Nov. 16

A FALL ART AUCTION

The Sisterhood and Brotherhood of Solel Congregation in Mississauga are sponsoring a fall art auction on Saturday, Nov. 16, at the synagogue, 2399 Folkway Dr. Festivities get underway at 7:30 p.m. with a champagne preview, followed by the auction at 8:30.

Admission is just $5 per person or $9 per couple. Refreshments will be served. A door prize will be given away, along with free catalogues and lithographs. Proceeds will go to Solel's Torah Restoration Fund.

For further information, contact **Marion Frankel** (publicity) at 820-0676 afternoons.

Sunday, Nov. 17

SOVIET JEWISH WRITER TO SPEAK

Genady Estreikh, one of the younger generation of Soviet Jewish writers, will be the guest of the Yiddish Culture Council and the Committee for Yiddish on Sunday, Nov. 17, at 8:30 p.m. at Workmen's Circle Hall, 471 Lawrence Ave. W.

His topic will be Perspectives of Jewish Culture in the U.S.S.R.

JRC RECEPTION

The Jewish Russian Community Centre of Toronto held its first reception at the home of Mark and Julie Sapir recently. Over 100 guests gathered to hear distinguished guest speaker Rabbi Pinchos Hirschprung, chief rabbi of Montreal, and to learn of the work done within the framework of the JRC. From left are Faive Heller, reception committee member; Mark Sapir, host; Rabbi Yoseph Zaltzman, JRC rabbi and executive director.

JUNIOR CAMPAIGNERS

Getting a head start in UJA operations are Elliot Sokolsky (left) and Jesse Freedman, who recently visited the UJA offices at the Lipa Green Building with their kindergarten group from the nearby JCC. Elliot is the son of Ted Sokolsky, associate campaign director of UJA, and Jesse is the son of Mark Freedman, senior campaign associate.

SUNDAY SHOPPING SPREE

Emunah Women of Toronto will be holding a Sunday Shopping Spree on Sunday, Nov. 17, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Lawrence Square Mall, 700 Lawrence Ave. W. (at Allen Expressway).

New and almost new merchandise for the whole family will be featured at low prices. New boutique clothes and jeans will also be available.

Admission is $2 and door prizes will be drawn. Parking is free. For information, call the Emunah office at 635-9847, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

JEWISH COMMUNITY SURVEY

At the Sunday, Nov. 17, meeting of Holy Blossom Temple Brotherhood Breakfast Club, **Joy Brodbar Nemzer**, assistant director of community planning and allocations, Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, will discuss the Survey of the Jewish Community, a major report on the demographics of the Jewish community in Greater Toronto.

Services are at 9 a.m., breakfast at 9:30 at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

HILLEL CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP

Hillel Children's Workshop is presenting **Dr. Ron Chavach**, who will be speaking at the concurrent adult session on Sunday, Nov. 17, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at New College, University of Toronto, 40 Willcocks St. He will be discussing his book, *The Naked Physician*.

Everyone is welcome and admission is free.

Hillel Children's Workshop is a non-profit cooperative Sunday school (nursery to age 12) with children's classes and concurrent adult informative sessions.

For more information, call **Dale Schwartz** at 484-0045.

HEBREW LITERARY CIRCLE

The Contemporary Hebrew Literary Circle will meet again at Albert J. Latner Jewish Public Library, 4600 Bathurst St., on Sunday, Nov. 17, at 8 p.m.

Prof. Rachel Feldhai-Brenner will review the book *The Book of Internal Grammar* by **David Grossman** in Hebrew.

Monday, Nov. 18

JEWISH FAMILY SERIES

Adath Israel and Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Congregations' joint adult education series on the theme The Jewish Family: An Endangered Species? will continue on Monday, Nov. 18, at 8 p.m. when **Rabbi Steven Saltzman** will discuss Intimate Enemies: Divorce and the Jewish Family.

The lecture will be held at Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave.

Following the lecture, at 9:15 p.m., The Joy of Singing will be presented with Hebrew, Yiddish and English folk and liturgical selections, led by **Cantor A. Eliezer Kirshblum**.

BOOK REVIEW

On Monday, Nov. 18, in celebration of Jewish Book Month, Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood is featuring **Prof. Elaine Newton**, professor of humanities, York University, who will review the book *Congregation*, edited by **David Rosenberg**.

The time is 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 100 Elder St. The sponsor of this Sisterhood general meeting is **Helen Glina**. For information, call the synagogue office at 633-3838.

GAY & LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP

The Jewish Support Group for Families of Gays and Lesbians will meet on Monday, Nov. 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the Sisterhood Library at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

For more information, call **Ruth** at 763-9111. All calls are confidential.

THE POWER OF LOVE

Donway Place, Retirement Residence, is presenting The Power of Love, Faith, Joy and Optimism: The Gateway to Happiness with **Dr. Jonathan Siegel**, psychologist and lecturer, on Monday, Nov. 18, at 2 p.m.

Donway Place Retirement Residence is located at 8 Donway E. (east of Don Mills Rd., south of Lawrence Ave. E.). Admission is free but space is limited and early reservations are requested. Contact **Marlene White** at 445-7555.

MONDAY MAGIC

A tour of the Reuben and Helene Dennis Museum at Beth Tzedec Synagogue with museum curator **Judith Carodozo** has been arranged for the Monday, Nov. 18, meeting of Monday MAGIC (Mothers Against Going Incredibly Crazy).

Monday MAGIC meets Monday mornings at Beth Tzedec, 1700 Bathurst St. So come out at 9:30 a.m. and meet other mothers of young children and hear interesting and informative speakers. Babysitting is available. Call **Sharon** at 783-7726 for information.

CAFIP MEETING

The Canadian Association for Israel Philately (CAFIP) is meeting on Monday, Nov. 18, at 7:30 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

The speaker is CAFIP member **Henri Stern** who will discuss The Preparation of the New State of Israel's First Postage Stamps. Everyone is welcome.

CAFIP is also looking for new members as well as guest speakers to present topics of interest and/or to show aspects of their collections. Contact **Alvin Dickstein**, president, at 594-8919 days, or **Hartley Garshowitz**, program chairman, at 665-355 days or 731-9268 evenings.

MAILING

The Association for the Soldiers of Israel, Toronto branch, makes the lives of the soldiers easier by providing such necessities as the club room on the army base, rest and recreational camps, shai l'chayal (a gift to soldiers project), and summer camp for widows and orphans of Israel's fallen heroes. Fira Rotenberg (left) and Carol Baratz (right), co-chairmen for Chanukah Project 1991, help raise funds to support these activities. The Chanukah campaign involves a mailing of 44,000 cards across Canada which includes a Chanukah card with a "shammas" candle. If you have not received your card in the mail, call the Soldiers office at 783-9130. [Graphic Artist photo]

Tuesday, Nov. 19

CELEBRITY AUTHOR'S LUNCHEON

Daniel Richler will be the guest speaker at the 8th annual Celebrity Author's Luncheon organized by Na'amat, Hamilton. The event will be held Tuesday, Nov. 19, at noon in the Fontbonne Building, St. Joseph's Hospital, James Street entrance, Hamilton.

Richler is the author of the best selling novel *Kicking Tomorrow* and is currently creative head of arts programming at TVOntario. He is also executive producer and host of the network's book show *Imprint*.

Tickets cost $10 and can be purchased at Bryan Prince Bookseller (528-4508) or Sophisticated Kids (522-5437) or **Hugh Greenwood**, St. Joseph's Hospital (522-4941) or by calling 627-7177. The ticket includes a gourmet box lunch and a chance to win door prizes.

All proceeds of the luncheon will go towards Na'amat projects. For more information, contact **Wendy Schneider** at 628-0058 or **Vivienne Epstein** at 628-0239.

THE LODZ GHETTO

The Lodz Ghetto, the highly acclaimed film presentation of the secret journals and clandestine photographs from a beseiged and doomed city, will be shown at the New Fraternal Jewish Association meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 19, at 8 p.m. at the NFJA Centre, 120 Overbrook Pl., Suite 107.

The public is cordially invited to attend. There will be no admission charge.

COOKING SESSION ON CHANUKAH

The cooking series with **Sue Devor** of Sweet Sue Pastries, sponsored by Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood, will concentrate on Chanukah at the Tuesday, Nov. 19, session. It begins with coffee at 7:15 p.m., followed by the demonstration at 7:30 at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

This series with Sue Devor and **Carol Lavine** was a great success last year. All new recipes will be used this year. The fee is $10 Sisterhood members, $12 non-members. Call **Olivia** at the office at 789-3291 to reserve. Reservations are required so that enough can be prepared for tasting and also for seating accommodations.

JOURNALIST'S VIEW OF THE NEWS

The date of the Shaarei Shomayim Sisterhood luncheon, originally scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 12, has been changed to Tuesday, Nov. 19, at 12:30 p.m. at the synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. Guest speaker, CJN reporter **Cynthia Gasner**, will speak on A Journalist's View of the News.

Friends and relatives are invited by invitation only. Call **Ruth Fruitman** at 731-6660 or **Rose Mintz** at 633-7190.

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CASSEROLES GALORE

Casseroles Galore is a new course presented by the Kosher Cooking School at the Tuesday, Nov. 19, session. The time is 8 p.m. at Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, 3600 Bathurst St.

The fee for this session is $15. The Kosher Cooking School is sponsored by the Kashruth Council of Toronto. For information, call 635-9550.

MORNING STUDY GROUP

Spend an interesting morning with guest speakers discussing a variety of exciting and stimulating topics related to Judaism with the Tuesday Morning Study Group, which meets weekly from 9:45-11:30 a.m. at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

The program on Nov. 19 features *To Shanghai* with film-maker **Karen Shopsowitz** who will present the film and discuss her experiences in making it.

Babysitting is available. For more information, call **Rhonda** at 663-3812.

T'NACH STUDY GROUP

The T'nach Study Group is focusing on the Book of Samuel Part II. On Tuesday, Nov. 19, the group will deal with Chapter XIII with **Prof. Eva Dessen**.

The group meets at 8:15 p.m. at Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St.

LOOK AT THE BOOK

Medina Theatre Ensemble is presenting **Corinne Copnick's** Look at the Book in honor of Jewish Book Month.

Corinne Copnick

Look at the Book is an innovative half-hour video condensation of Altar Pieces, a commemorative book to be published in 1992. It showcases the latest collection of short stories and poems by Corinne Copnick and the artwork of the late **Saul Field**.

The video's release will be celebrated at a concert reading, directed by the author and enacted by Medina Theatre Ensemble, of excerpts from the text on Tuesday, Nov. 19, at 8 p.m. at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

A discussion on the book's theme, contemporary Jewish women redefining themselves, will follow with **Dr. Fern Waterman**, psychiatrist, as moderator. Panelists will be **Patrick O'Callaghan**, former editor of the Calgary Herald; **Terry Kay**, Jewish Family & Child Service, and **Linda Silver Dranoff**, family lawyer and columnist.

The literary text of Altar Pieces has been created with the support of the Secretary of State, Department of Multiculturalism. For information, call Corinne Copnick at 631-6492.

Wednesday, Nov. 20

PROSPECTS FOR PEACE

Hirsh Goodman, editor-in-chief of *The Jerusalem Report*, the new influential Israeli weekly, will deliver the 1991 Eva and D. Lou Harris Lecture at Holy Blossom Temple on Wednesday, Nov. 20, at 8:30 p.m.

Goodman will offer an up-to-date briefing on the peace negotiations when he speaks on What Are the Prospects for Peace in the Middle East?

The lecture is co-sponsored by the temple's Israel committee. The public is invited.

RRIFS, ANNUITIES & RETIREMENT

Jack Visser of the Dominion Trust Company is holding a free seminar on RRIFs, Annuities and Retirement Planning on Wednesday, Nov. 20, at 7 p.m. at the Dominion Trust building, 180 Steeles Ave. W. (just west of Yonge St.).

Call 882-8588 to reserve your seat.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

The To Life Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets weekly at Kehillat Shaarei Torah, 2640 Bayview Ave. Meetings are held Wednesdays at 8 p.m.

This is the only chapter of Alcoholics Anonymous in Toronto which meets in a synagogue or a Jewish organization. For more information, contact **Rabbi Steven Cohen** at 229-2600.

Thursday, Nov. 21

AFTERMATH PUBLIC FORUM

Aftermath: Self-Help for Families of Sexually Abused Children is sponsoring a public forum on The Courage to Create: Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse Share Their Healing. Facilitator of the panel discussion is **Sara Jacobovitch**, Toronto Centre for Creative Arts Therapy.

The forum takes place Thursday, Nov. 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the Ontario Hydro Building, 700 University Ave., 2nd floor auditorium. For information, call 461-4709.

LIBRARY FILM

The film, *The Grey Fox*, will be screened at Forest Hill Library, 700 Eglinton Ave., W., on Thursday, Nov. 21, at 1:30 p.m.

Admission is free.

And What Else Is New...

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE WEEKEND

Shaareh Haim Synagogue of York region, 9711 Bayview Ave., Richmond Hill, announces its first Scholar-In-Residence Weekend which will take place Nov. 22-24.

The guest speaker will be **Rabbi Neil Gillman**, professor of theology at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in New York where he received his ordination, and author of *Sacred Fragments: Recovering Theology for the Modern Jew* for which he won the National Jewish Book Award. Rabbi Gillman, originally from Quebec City, is a graduate of McGill University. He received his doctorate from Columbia University.

The theme for the weekend is Questions for Modern Jews. On Saturday morning, Nov. 23, at 9 a.m., Rabbi Gillman's topic will be Does God Really Hear Me When I Pray? and at the Brotherhood-sponsored breakfast program on Sunday, Nov. 24, at 9 a.m., his topic will be What Happens To Me When I Die?

The public is welcome to attend Saturday and Sunday mornings. For information, phone **Helene Rudolph**, executive director, at the synagogue office, 884-3353.

NCSY ANNUAL CONCERT

The National Conference of Synagogue Youth (NCSY) is holding its 11th annual concert on Sunday, Nov. 24, at 7 p.m. at the Beth Avraham Yoseph of Toronto (BAYT) auditorium, 613 Clark Ave., Thornhill.

The concert features New York's hottest act, the Piamenta Brothers, and the renowned comedian **Marc Weiner**. There will also be special guest appearances by **Yehuda**, the 16-year-old teenage singing sensation, and Toronto's own cantorial prodigy, **Cantor Noam Goodman**.

Tickets are available at Negev, Israel's, Aleph Bet Judaica and Miriam's book store. Sponsor and donor tickets are available through the NCSY office. All proceeds will go towards NCSY's outstanding and dynamic activities for Jewish teenagers, supporting such programs as Free Torah High, Yachad (programs for the disabled), NCSY Shabbatons, and its recent efforts in the Soviet Union.

For more information, contact the NCSY office at 782-4426.

LEO BAECK FUNDRAISING PROJECTS

As a result of two very successful fundraising projects (1990/91), the students of Leo Baeck Day School received a number of AM/FM stereo headphones, alarm clock radios and FM headsets.

Several of these items were kept at the school for use by students and staff while a number of them were donated to the Jerome D. Diamond Adolescent Centre located at 196 Keewatin Ave.

The gifts were presented to **Brian O'Donnell** at the centre by **Carole Sterling**, current chairman of Leo Baeck Day School Parent's Association on behlaf of the students and parents of the school.

CANADIAN PREMIERE OF TWO

Leah Posluns Theatre is presenting the Canadian premiere of the riveting drama *Two* by Australian playwright **Ron Elisha**, which opens Nov. 21 and runs to Dec. 15.

Stage, film and television veteran **Nehemiah Persoff** stars along with stage and TV actress **Cynthia Mace**. This two-character play, set in a small German town in 1948, focuses on an impoverished rabbi who lost his faith while in a Nazi concentration camp, and a mysterious young German woman who seeks his aid for her conversion to Judaism and emigration to what was then Palestine.

For tickets and information, call the box office at 630-6752.

BEGINNER ADULT HEBREW

Are you frustrated when you attend services and cannot participate? Are you embarrassed when your child asks for help in Hebrew and you can't help? Well, Temple Har Zion has a class to ease your frustration and embarrassment.

It meets on Wednesdays from 8-9:15 p.m. until Dec. 18 and and from Jan. 8-22. A second series of 10 weeks will meet from late January to March.

Call the temple office at 889-2252 to register. The fee is $50 which includes books and materials.

CHEVEROT BRANCH OF NCJW

Cheverot branch of the National Council of Jewish Women is looking for new members, ages 30-40, in the Thornhill-Richmond Hill-Oak Ridges area. This group is very active in the community and enjoys getting together for interesting programs.

For more information, call **Esther** at 773-0061 or **Shari** at 883-3470.

JUDAICA SHOP SALE

Holy Blossom Temple Judaica Shop is holding a sale Sunday, Nov. 17, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 18, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., when all items in the shop will be reduced by 20 percent (except books and red sticker items).

The shop offers many new items, especially gifts for children, menorahs, dreidels, chocolate gelt and books.

Regular hours are Monday-Thursday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday and Sunday from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

JSF HAPPENINGS

Jewish Student Federation (JSF) of York University has interesting events coming up, in addition to the weekly programs.

Nov. 15-17 is JSF's first annual Invitational Volleyball Tournament with teams from universities in Ontario and Quebec. If you are interested in playing, refereeing or housing, come by and sign up on the athletics board.

Sunday, Nov. 17, is bowling night at York Bowl, 545 Wilson Ave. The time is 7:30 p.m. and the cost is $10. Call JSF at 736-5178 for details.

A minyan is held daily, Monday to Friday, at 8 a.m. For beginners it is conducted in English. If you need a ride, it can be arranged. Free pastry and coffee is served at the on-campus kosher

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KIELCER SOCIETY

Ruhama Goldstein recently spoke to the Kielcer Society on behalf of State of Israel Bonds. From left are Percy Goodman, president; Morris Lazebnick, Ruhama Goldstein, Max Rosenberg, vice-president, and Kalman Sokolowski, social chairman. [Barry Shainbaum photo].

BIENNIAL CONVENTION

The United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, comprising over 830 Conservative congregations in Canada and the U.S., is holding its Biennial Convention at the Concord Hotel, Kiamasha Lake, N.Y., Nov. 17-21. Marvin Rosenshein (left), Ontario region convention chairman, displays convention theme poster, Making Conservative Judaism Count!, with Jules Surdin, newly installed president, Ontario region. [Mollie Rothman photo].

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DANCE STEPS

North York mayor Mel Lastman and Diane Bronstein, president, North York chapter, Canadian Foundation for Ileitis & Colitis, practise dance steps in readiness for the chapter's fundraising Fanatasy Hop set for Nov. 16 at Bathurst Heights Secondary School, 640 Lawrence Ave. W. The fun begins at 8 p.m. For tickets and information, call 737-7347, 471-5393 or 221-3284. The mayor has declared November as Ileitis and Colitis Month in the City of North York.

restaurant.

Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Judaism But Were Afraid to Ask, an open forum with **Rabbi Benjy Jacobi**, takes place every Monday from 1-2 p.m. at JSF 442 Student Centre. There is no charge.

On Wednesdays, there are Hebrew lessons for beginners from 1-2 p.m. with **Rabbi Moldafsky**. Intermediate classes will begin in January.

Aerobics with fitness instructor **Rachael Nir** is offered every Thursday at 4 p.m. This is free, but you must register at JSF before noon each Thursday. Call 736-5178.

YOUNG WOMEN'S GROUP

Tikvah chapter of B'nai Brith Women has some terrific upcoming events scheduled for November and December. Anyone interested in joining this young women's group (ages 25-35), or in finding out more about the chapter, is welcome to come to these future programs. It's a great way to meet women your age and become involved in the Jewish community.

For details, call **Miriam** at 444-7884 or **Patty** at 490-8137.

ISRAELI FOLKDANCING

Israeli folkdancing is held every Tuesday at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St., led by choreographer/dance instructor **Marco Ben-Shimon**. Beginners session is from 7:30-8:15 p.m., intermediate from 8:15-9:15 and advanced from 9:15-11:15.

In addition, a new group is starting in North York on Thursday evenings at Drewry Secondary School, 70 Drewry Ave. Beginners class is from 7-8:30 and intermediate from 8:30-10.

For information, call 771-0363.

BAYCREST VOLUNTEERS

Are you a music lover? Have you always wanted to lead a band? If so, Baycrest Centre needs you to volunteer in the various music programs.

Also, volunteers are needed in the hospital's aquatic exercise program to assist patients in the hydrotherapy pool. Ongoing hands-on training is provided. So, if you are comfortable in water and have three hours to spare every Friday morning, this is for you!

If you are interested in either or both of these volunteer opportunities, call the Volunteer Department at 785-2850.

WELCOME RABBI PINSKER!

Congregation Darchei Noam invites the community to attend a weekend of celebrations to officially welcome **Lawrence Pinsker**, the Reconstructionist synagogue's new rabbi.

On Friday, Nov. 15, services will begin at 8:30 p.m. and the guest speaker will be **Rabbi Lee Friedlander**, president of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association. He will speak on What's a Rabbi For?

On Saturday morning, Nov. 16, services begin at 10 a.m. and Rabbi Pinsker will discuss Imagining Ourselves Richly: Some Thoughts on How to Invent a Jewish Community. A communal potluck kiddush, to which members of the congregation and the community are invited to contribute, will follow the services.

JEWISH FAMILY LIFE WORKSHOPS

Jewish Family & Child Services is currently offering the following six-week Jewish Family Life Workshops:

The Single Parent Challenge: Finding a Balance Between Parenthood and Personhood — Group will discuss discipline, time management and building a new life.

Living With Teens — A group to help parents understand their teenagers' behavior. You will discuss appropriate behavior, expectations, discipline and ways to improve communication (beginning Nov. 18 for five weeks).

The Sandwich Generation: You and Your Aging Parents — A group to discuss your parents' aging and changing, your place as the filling between your parents and your children, and other available community resources (beginning Nov. 18).

For further information concerning fees and registration, call **Pat Lieberman** at 638-7800, ext. 215.

TEMPLE EMANU-EL SERVICES

Temple Emanu-El, a Reform congregation in North York, located at 120 Old Colony Rd., has the following services:

Minyans, Monday through Friday mornings at 7:30 a.m., Sundays and holidays at 8:30 a.m.; Friday evening services at 8:30 p.m., and Saturday morning services at 10:30 a.m.

You are invited to join in these services.

WE WERE CHILDREN JUST LIKE YOU

We Were Children Just Like You, a rare photographic exhibit which depicts the impact of the Holocaust on the lives of children and youth, is coming to the North York Board of Education.

The unique exhibit, co-sponsored by the board and the Holocaust remembrance committee of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, will be on display, Sunday to Friday, from Nov. 18 to Dec. 18 at the North York Board of Education, 5050 Yonge St. Admission is free.

This is its only Canadian showing. After the month-long display, the exhibit moves to its final destination at the Ghetto Fighters' Kibbutz in Israel.

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Classes are at Earl Bales Community Centre, Monday evenings or Thursday mornings. Classes are $5 each or pre-paid lessons are $3.50 each. There is a reduced rate for seniors and students.

To register for the free introductory lesson, call 881-1445.

TORONTO BOOK AWARDS

Publishers and authors who have fiction and non-fiction books that are of literary merit and evocative of Toronto are reminded that the deadline for submissions to the 1992 City of Toronto Book Awards is Dec. 15, 1991. These awards, totalling $15,000, are available for adults' and children's books that were published for the first time in 1991. No textbooks or reprints are eligible.

Anyone wishing to submit titles for consideration for these awards should send five copies of each book to the Book Awards Committee, c/o Communications Division, City Clerk's Department, 22nd floor, East Tower, Toronto City Hall, M5H 2N2, by Dec. 15.

The finalists will be announced in March 1992 and the winner(s) in May 1992.

at the JCC

The North Y branch of the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St., offers birthday parties for 3-12 year olds. Party package includes invitations and mailing, loot bags, kosher meal and birthday cake and supervised activities. For more information, call **Bibi Golberg** at 636-1880, ext. 250.

There is limited space in the current Tuesday/Thursday Tic Tac Twos program for 2 year olds at the North Y JCC. The program consists of arts and crafts, music, gym, storytime, playtime and Shabbat celebration. For more information, call **Bibi Golberg** at 636-1880, ext. 250.

The Miami trip to the Sansouci Hotel Jan. 1-23 includes one free night. Additional weeks are possible. Contact **Teme Kernerman** at the JCC North Y at 636-1880, ext. 364.

The JCC Bloor Y's Adult Department introduces its first workshop in the Time Out for Me series on Sunday, Nov. 17, from noon to 2 p.m. with a creative crafts program. Have fun decorating a wicker basket or hat using lace, ribbons, bows, beads and flowers. The cost is $18 and includes materials. Registration must be made by Thursday, Nov. 14. Call **Luni** at 924-6211.

The Bloor Y is located at 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor).

The JCC North/East Valley branch, 7015 Leslie St., offers adult duplicate bridge for members every Monday evening from 7:30-11. The cost is $3 per session. For information, call **Nurit** at 889-0813.

A fitness program of low impact aerobics for women is held at the JCC Valley Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:20-10:20 a.m. The cost is $5 per session or $45 for 10 weeks, one class per week, or $85 for 10 weeks, two classes per week. For information, call **Nurit** at 889-0813.

The JCC NE Valley Singles Connection invites you to the Fall Fantasia Dance on Sunday, Nov. 17, at 8 p.m. at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. The cost is $8 and includes a deejay, dancing, light refreshments and cash bar. For more information, contact **Nurit** at above number. Also, be sure to ask about the upcoming singles lecture series.

Singles Connection also invites you to walk through Sunnybrook Park on Sundays. Come to the main entrance of the Inn on the Park at 11 a.m. and ask for **Marlene**. For information, call **Nurit** at 889-0813.

Call the JCC Singles Hotline at 889-5101 for 24-hour taped information of events at the JCC and around the city.

for seniors

Lunch and Learn in Retirement Group will be meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 20, at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St. The guest speaker will be **Aaron Nussbaum**, director of education at United Synagogue Day School and history teacher at York University. His topic — Towards 1992: 500 Years Since the Discovery of America by Columbus and the Expulsion of the Jews from Spain. The group meets at noon. Bring your own lunch and coffee, tea and cookies will be provided. There is no fee and everyone is invited.

Nutrition is the topic of the Tuesday, Nov. 19, meeting of the Learning Experiences Program sponsored by **Senior Adult Services** at the Jewish Community Centre North Y branch, 4588 Bathurst St. The guest speaker is **Bev McClullan**. The time is 1-2:30 p.m. There is no charge for members. Non-members charge is 50 cents. For further information, call **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880, ext. 364.

Beth Sholom Seniors opening meeting is set for Wednesday, Nov. 20, at 1:30 p.m. at the synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W. The program includes entertainment and refreshments. Admission is $2 and everyone is welcome.

LZA Seniors Club still has some seats available for five, seven, nine week and three month trips to Miami...A new shuffleboard floor has been installed and there is now shuffleboard daily and every Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. The Cultural Club meets every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon with interesting discussions...The Chanukah party and dance will be held Saturday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m. at the Borochov Centre. Tickets are available at the centre. For information on club activities, call 633-8579.

The Good Age Club of the JCC Bloor Y branch, 750 Spadina Ave., is featuring **Prof. David Goldberg** on Thursday, Nov. 14, from 2-4 p.m. His topic will be Events in the Middle East...Ongoing activities offered in conjunction with the Toronto Board of Education include knitting, bridge, fitness, current events, folkdancing, ceramics. For information, contact **Luni** at 924-6211.

Canadian Israeli Club Aluma, for Israelis and Hebrew-speaking persons 55 and over, meets every Wednesday evening from 7:30-9:30 at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. On Nov. 20 **Ruth and Haim Cohen** will talk and show a short movie about their last visit to Europe. For information, call **Avner Meiri** at 663-1443 or **Oved Azner** at 631-9794 or **Shelley Dunkelman** at the Wagman Centre at 789-5131, ext. 2273.

Earl Bales Seniors Club: upcoming events include a movie on Wednesday, Nov. 20, at 2 p.m. (members free, non-members $1); a dance at the club house on Saturday, Nov. 16, from 7-10 p.m. (members free, non-members $1); a bus run to Aylmer, Ont., for members only on Wednesday, Nov. 27; a Chanukah party on Sunday, Dec. 8, from 7-11 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre with entertainment, latkes, coffee and cake, door prizes (members $8, non-members $10)...Courses offered in conjunction with North York Board of Education are bridge, fitness and wellness, ballroom and line dance classes. Also, anyone interested in playing Mah Jong or in volunteering to look after the activity is asked to call the club office at 636-7856.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club, 470 Glencairn Ave., is arranging a Chanukah luncheon on Monday, Dec. 9. Details to follow later...Ongoing programs offered in conjunction with North York Board of Education include dancersize, Tai Chi, line dancing and Coping with Life with **Harriet Sharkey**. For information on all programs, call **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923...Remember the Golden Book to mark special occasions. Your donations go to Laniado Hospital in Israel. Call **Dorothy Bloomfield** at 787-1526.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave.—The multi media crafts series continues on Monday, Nov. 18, from 1-2:30 p.m. with Chanukah cards — Explore different media to make personalized Chanukah cards with instructor **Sally Blackman**...The Tuesday evening program on Nov. 19 features singer/pianist **Lenka Lichtenberg** from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in the assembly room...On Wednesday, Nov. 20, the women's lecture series will focus on A Look at Images of Aging Women Through Literature by Canadian Women Writers with **Prof. Shelagh Wilkinson**, York University. The time is 1:30-2:30 p.m. in the fireside lounge.

North York Community House and the North York Board of Education present current events discussions for seniors with **Douglas Haddow** every Thursday from 10 a.m. to noon at the Community House, 3101 Bathurst St. For information, call 784-0920.

The Canadian Association for Retired Persons (CARP) is holding a free information seminar on the Home Equity Pension Plan (known informally as the reverse mortgage) on Thursday, Nov. 14, from 2-3:30 p.m. at the CARP national office, 27 Queen St. E. (corner Victoria), Suite 1304. **Leo Fenson** and **Ev Bluestein** of Senior Citizens Services Agency, consultants for CARP's insurance and mortgage programs, will conduct the seminar, which is free to anyone aged 60 and over. To register, call 363-0120.

Come with the **Young at Heart Seniors** for a Florida vacation at newly renovated Casablanca or Sherry Frontenac Hotels for one, two or three months ($1,799 for four weeks, no extra charge for efficiency). For details, call **Helen** at 462-0258 or 635-6343 evenings after 7 p.m. or **Manny** at 633-7463.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

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SUGAR HONORED

Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto (CHAT) president Stephen Freedhoff (left) and headmaster Rabbi Marvin Pachino honor Andrea Sugar who is completing her four-year tenure of office as founding chairman of the Friends of CHAT committee. The CHAT board has donated a set of encyclopedia to the school library in her honor.

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Czech Jew returns home

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tograph at the concert.

Many others likely found the performance of Verdi's *Requiem* by the Czech Philharmonic Orchestra just as moving. Fifty years ago, Jewish musicians played that composition with instruments that in some cases had been smuggled into the ghetto.

"After the last performance, all the performers were shipped to Auschwitz," Freund said. "First they were permitted to perform and then they were killed."

For Freund, who came to Canada as a war orphan, and several years ago wrote a book of personal memoirs entitled *I Was One of the Lucky Few*, the events in Prague and Theresienstadt indicate that the Czech authorities are finally willing to grapple with "a prohibited subject."

Noting that Czechoslovakia's icy antagonism towards Israel during the communist era has melted away under the warmth of renewed diplomatic relations, he recalled that "there was a fairly positive feeling between the Czechs and the Jews before the war, more so than in Poland or Russia.

"The Czech people were tolerant and the Jews did not feel mistreated. They were quite active in community life and felt part of the Czech nation."

After the performance of *Brundibar*, someone in the audience started to sing Hatikvah and everyone joined in, Freund said. "It was a completely spontaneous thing — there must have been 300 or 400 people there. And then they sang the Czech national anthem."

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A Kabbalat Shabbat is arranged for Friday, Nov. 15, at 11:30 a.m. in the auditorium. Program includes candlelighting, kiddush, full lunch followed by songs. The charge is $5 members, $8 non-members. Tickets are being sold in advance at the information desk, or call **Helen Issenberg** at 225-2112.

The Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI) is presenting an art seminar, Discover the Art Gallery: How to Look at Modern and Traditional Art with **Edith Altschuler**, on Wednesday, Nov. 20, at 1 p.m. There is no charge.

A dance, with the music of the Creative Band, is set for Sunday, Nov. 17, from 7:30-10:30 p.m. The charge is $3.50 members, $4 non-members.

The Wednesday afternoon social on Nov. 20 features **Fern Dworkin** in concert. The time is 1:30 p.m. Refreshments are served after the entertainment. The charge is $2.50 members, $3.50 non-members.

A reminder that the Miami trip is offering three hotels to choose from — Sasson Hotel (starting at $1,855), Shore Club Hotel ($2,900), and Tarleton Hotel ($2,900). For all the details, call **Barbara Zigler**, co-ordinator of specialized programs at 225-2112.

About People

CENTRE FOR RESEARCH

A new Centre for Research in Pharmacy named for **David R. Bloom**, chairman and chief executive officer of Shoppers Drug Mart Ltd., was dedicated at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem School of Pharmacy last month.

The centre will sponsor research, publications, and international conferences as well as provide fellowships for promising young researchers pursuing careers in pharmacy. The centre was the result of a joint fundraising effort by the Canadian and American Friends of the Hebrew University, spearheaded by **Dr. Gerald Halbert** of Toronto.

One hundred Canadians and Israelis were present for the dedication, including **David and Molly Bloom**, their children **Corinne** and **Michael**, family, friends and associates.

Bloom, a native Torontonian and graduate of the University of Toronto, holds executive positions and chairmanships with numerous companies and organizations and will now serve as the chairman of the international advisory committee of the centre bearing his name.

GUEST SPEAKER

Phyllis Weinberg, the in-house psychotherapist of the Orthodox Counselling Service, was the guest speaker for the Orthodox Women's League in Detroit, Mich., Nov. 10. The topic of her lecture was Do We Control Our Middos (characteristics) Or Do Our Middos Control Us — Strategies to Gain Control.

Phyllis Weinberg

Under the auspices of the Orthodox Counselling Service, Weinberg has written and produced trigger video films dealing with family dynamics and character development, which she used to illustrate her message. Drop the Judgement and Revenge — A Tool of Malicious Gossip was viewed by the audience. Some of the other films are The Damage of Malicious Gossip, Children Imitate Parents' Behavior, and Internal and External Anger.

Weinberg, a consultant for individuals or organizations to write and produce films, also presents her films with follow-up discussion for groups and organizations. She can be reached at 783-5751.

singles events

Singles Events is an advertising feature of The Canadian Jewish News. ***Deadline is Monday, 5:00 p.m., 10 days preceding issue date.*** *For rates or to place an ad, please call Alan at 422-2528.*

A Touch of Class presents a **House Dinner Party**, (Prime Rib) Saturday November 23. 8:30pm. $15.00. To reserve call Sonia 771-8448.
Upcoming Events: Pot-luck dinner **Oneg Shabbat**. Tentatively, November 17th.
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Fabulous Dance. Live entertainment. Singles and couples welcome. Brochov Centre. 272 Codsell Avenue, Downsview. Saturday November 16. 9:00pm. $8.00 per person. Free parking. For more information call Tri-elm 631-7322. 7479

The Jewish Community Centre of Toronto North East Valley **Singles Connection** invites you to our **"Fall Fantasia" Dance**. Join us on Sunday November 17, 1991, 8:00pm, at 7015 Leslie Street for D.J., Dancing, Light Refreshments and Cash Bar. Cost is $8.00 per person. For more information call Nurit at 889-0813.
P.S. ask us about our upcoming singles lecture series also. 7516

Unbelievable Party!!!!! Wiseblatt, Goldstein, Cohen and Rubenstein present Mega Gala Ladies Night at Zack's Emporium and Eatery, 1111 Finch Avenue West, North York, just 2 blocks west of Dufferin. Sunday, November 24th. Doors open 7:30pm. Cover $10.00, but ladies $5.00 all night long! Attention all Montrealers, Torontonians and anyone else between 25-40 who want to party all night long. 7534

Toronto's Orthodox Singles Inc. presents Two Winter Getaways. American Thanksgiving, November 28-December 1, or November 29-December 1 in **Vermont** and December 22-January 1, **Miami Beach**. For more information call Sharon Ganz 785-0761, Ruth Balofsky 764-5833. 7429

Singles Rendezvous (35-55). Meet new friends. Renew old acquaintances. Fun, games, refreshments and conversation. Bring a friend and a game. $12.00. November 17. 7:30pm. Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Avenue (south of Bathurst/Wilson). 781-9917. 7385

Jewish Singles Fall Dance (20's and 30's). Don't miss this exciting party. Great music by a D.J. Free munchies and prizes. Cash bar. November 23rd. 8:00pm. 15 Hove Street (Bathurst & Sheppard). $8.00. Call Shari, 222-0272. 7296

Toronto's Orthodox Singles Inc. presents refreshments and concert (for N.C.S.Y.) at Beth Avraham Yoseph Congregation. November 24. 6:00pm. Adults $25.00 by November 10th, $30.00 at the door, ages 25-45. For more information call Sharon Ganz 785-0761, Ruth Balofsky 764-5833. 7430

"Super Fall Dance" New Image 50 Plus is having a membership dance on Saturday, November 16th at Earl Bales Community Centre. 8:00pm. Deejay **Phil Allenbick**. (Paid up) Members $5.00, guests $6.00. Refreshments and prizes. Everyone is welcome.
P.S. All 1992 members are eligible for a free membership draw. 7558

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JNF to honor Gorman

TORONTO —

Harry Gorman will be the honoree at the Jewish National Fund of Toronto's 43rd Negev Dinner on Dec. 1, at the Sheraton Centre Hotel.

Gorman is an outstanding leader of the Toronto Jewish community and has dedicated over 40 years to an active involvement in many community organizations, particularly those bound up with Israel and its people.

"There is no doubt that the key to our success has been the commitment of the many volunteers who each year rally to the cause," says Toronto JNF president Frances Mandell. "Their energy and dedication has been absolutely key."

The 1991 Negev Dinner chairman is Allan C. Silber. He has organized a team of 200 whose goal is straightforward and demanding: a successful financial campaign to aid the work of JNF topped off by a magnificent celebration dinner. With less than one month to go, it appears that the team will meet its goal once again.

Silber is the chairman, president and chief executive officer of Counsel Corporation and provides the leadership of a number of other companies affiliated with it. The Counsel group of companies provide a range of financial, mortgage, real estate, investment and health care services.

Born in Hamilton, the 42-year-old Silber is the son of Godel and Cilka Silber. He attended McMaster University in Hamilton and the University of Toronto. Married in 1970 to Hinda Silber, Allan and his wife have four children — Joshua, Leah, Jay and David.

He is a member of the board of directors of Mount Sinai Hospital and the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care and is involved in various capacities with many community philanthropic and cultural organizations.

This year the JNF celebrates its 90th anniversary. Since 1901, it has reclaimed the land of Israel for the Jewish people, drained the swamps, helped establish agricultural settlement, built roads, developed tourist recreation areas, created jobs, improved the quality of life for Israelis and, of course, has planted literally hundreds of millions of trees.

It has been very involved with water and soil conservation research and techniques, has been for the past decade constructing reservoirs and dams and now is engaged in a major segment of the plan to absorb the hundreds of thousands of immigrants arriving in Israel — JNF is doing the land infrastructure development at over 70 sites around Israel upon which will eventually be built 200,000 housing units.

Known worldwide as Operation Promised Land, it is a huge

Harry Gorman

challenge, but JNF plans to meet its objectives, as it has done for 90 years.

JNF Canada has undertaken a project called Eilat-Canada, developing the land in a section of Eilat, Israel's strategic Red Sea port, upon which will be built 4,000 housing units, community centres, synagogues, schools, recreation areas and other community amenities. The proceeds from the campaign leading up to the 1991 Negev Dinner in honor of Gorman will be directed to the Eilat-Canada project.

"While some may only see the glamor factor in the Negev Dinner," says Silber, "it is really the result of much hard work by many very dedicated people." He quite clearly indicates that the hardest-working volunteer had been the honoree himself, Harry Gorman. "Harry," states Silber, "is really very unique — energetic, very personable, determined and totally committed to reaching our goal."

An important component of the Negev Dinner is the financial campaign which leads up to the event itself. Top Gifts Division co-chairmen are Bill Clerfield, Max Handelman, Harold Lederman, Gerald Shear, Paul Slavens and Morris Starkman. The General Canvass co-chairmen are Bud Eisenberg, Lenny Exton, Dr. Mark Sager, Judith Shostack and Robert Ziner.

Their teams of canvassers are the backbone of the major fundraising effort of the Jewish National Fund. The results they achieve will be essential to the success of the Eilat-Canada project and the new homes being built there for newly-arriving olim.

As Gorman has said: "The new immigrants from the Soviet Union and Ethiopia have reached the Promised Land and now we have a responsibility to help them find their promised homes."

A special part of this year's Negev Dinner is the launching of a memorial project in honor of the late JNF Toronto shaliach Col. Yehoshua Bar-Am. Under the co-chairmanship of Rose Ziner and prominent Toronto lawyer Donald Carr, this committee has been proceeding with love and devotion in their endeavor to create a living memorial in the Galilee in honor of Yehoshua.

Media outlets compiled

TORONTO —

The Toronto Zionist Council and Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association has compiled a list to provide the Jewish community with an outlet to express their views on the media.

The list includes local newspapers, radio and television stations and can be used to to protest or commend a particular media broadcast or news article. Each call is considered to represent the views of some 200 members of the listening/viewing audience.

The list includes *The Globe and Mail*, 585-5000 or 585-5225, news department; *The Toronto Star*, 367-2000, switchboard or 869-4321, 24 hour newsroom; the *Toronto Sun*, 947-2222 or 947-2211, newsroom and *Canadian Press*, 364-0321.

Among the radio stations are CBC at 975-3700 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., CFRB at 924-5711, CKEY at 361-1281 or 361-1285 after 5 p.m. and CFTR at 864-2000 or 864-2030, news department.

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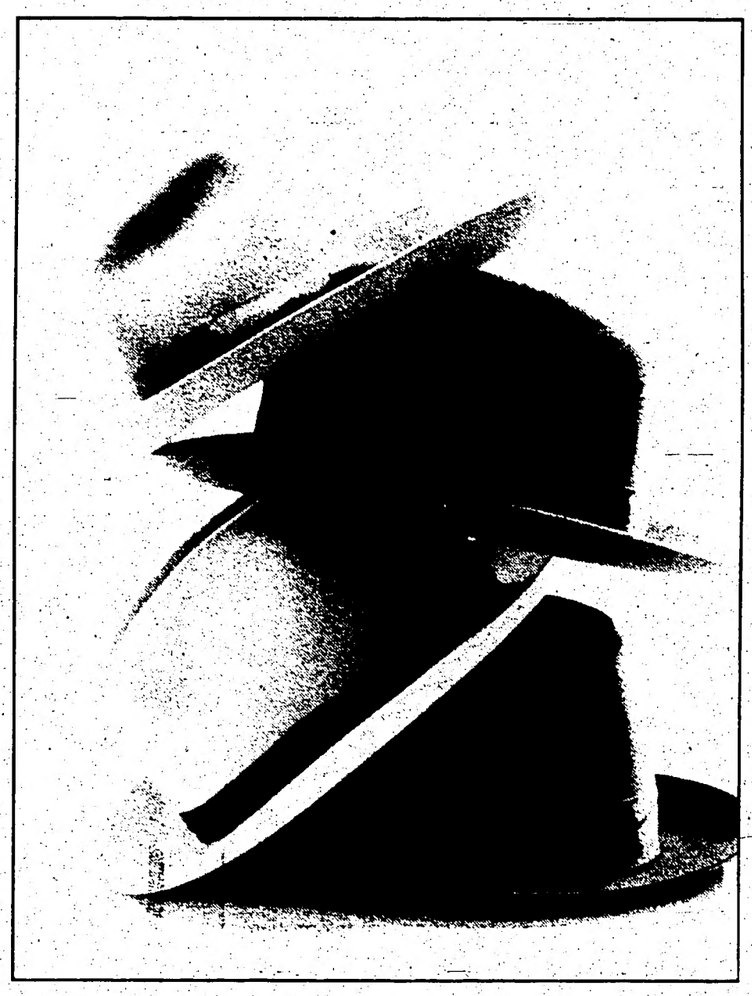

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Organizations and People

Israeli journalist Bainerman favors annexing West Bank

By
BILL GLADSTONE

TORONTO —

Israel should annex the West Bank immediately, persuade Egypt to take the Gaza strip, and attempt to convince Palestinians to accept Jordan as their homeland.

These are only some of the provocative ideas that Joel Bainerman, a prominent Israeli journalist and the former economic editor of the *Jerusalem Post*, articulated during a lecture at the Beth Tzedec Synagogue two days before the start of the Madrid peace conference.

Bainerman, a former Torontonian who made aliyah 10 years ago, addressed the question, Is There a Solution to the Arab/Israel Problem? For more than an hour, he explained his hard-line approach to peace and criticized the Israeli government for the stranglehold it has allegedly put on the national economy, stifling free-market initiative and growth.

The oft-repeated "land for peace" formula favored by the Bush-Baker administration and most Arab states is unfair to Israel, he said, since the proffered peace would be a universal gain while the land would go exclusively to the Arabs; Israel would have no exclusive benefit.

Israel, he said, should reciprocate in kind to all economic boycotts against the Jewish state, officially making every boycott bilateral. Israel's UN representative should also announce that Israel refuses to recognize any country that refuses to recognize Israel. "Then," he said, "we'll be back on the same playing field."

According to Bainerman, opinion polls indicating that most Israelis want to swap land for peace are inaccurate. "Offer Israelis peace and they'll follow you anywhere. If you rephrase the question as 'Would you be in favor of a West Bank state led by the PLO?' you'll get a 97 percent 'No'."

Opinion polls inaccurate

If Israel ever quit the West Bank, fighting among the PLO and more fundamentalist Palestinian factions would quickly fill the power vacuum, he predicted, a situation that would compel the Israelis to return within weeks.

Israel, he said, does not build settlements "only to use as bargaining chips." The Jewish state has generated confusion and uncertainty by not annexing the territories, which many Jews refer to by their ancient Biblical names of Judea and Samaria. "I'd like to see a clear declaration by my government that this is what they intend to do," he said.

"In war, disputed land is usually taken by the victor, and there's no reason why this should be any different. When you lose a war, you have to pay the price, just as an apprehended thief must pay the price by going to jail."

The West Bank could become an Israeli province with its own laws, perhaps like Puerto Rico's relationship with the United States, he suggested. Citizenship would not be granted automatically to all Palestinians, he said, and the West Bank government would not be democratic. "The Palestinians have put themselves in this situation and they're going to have to pay the price for it," he said.

Bainerman dismissed the storm of outrage from Israel's erstwhile allies that annexation would certainly provoke, arguing that Israel is bound to be disliked no matter what. "There are more Arabs than Jews. That's what matters most to the U.S. administration. It's a fact of life and we're going to have to live with it."

He espoused an equally hard line with Israel's political leaders, who allegedly disperse vast sums from the national treasury for purely political ends. Economic reform, he said, is deserately needed.

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Organizations and People

Society re-elects Cooper

TORONTO —

Syd Cooper was re-elected national president of the Canadian Technion Society at the recent national board meeting which took place in Montebello, Queb. with the participation of Technion supporters from Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg.

Israeli ambassador to Canada, Itzhak Shelef, reviewed Israel's positions on the eve of the peace conference as well as the economic situation. He, in particular, emphasized the role Technion is playing in the absorption of Soviet Jews.

The meeting was also addressed by Technion's vice-president for development, Prof. Brian Silver. He detailed what Technion is doing to absorb the wave of Soviet immigrants at every level — pre-academic, undergraduate, graduate and academic staff.

He commended the Canadian Society's contributions towards this momentous task, as expressed by the 1991 campaign for scholarships and fellowships, the new dormitories constructed with Canadian contributions and the entrepreneurship program which is providing seed money for promising embryonic industries being researched and developed by Russian immigrants.

Silver stated that the Israeli government is requiring Technion to increase its student population (about 9,000 at the moment) by 25 percent in the next five years to cope with the expectations of immigration and supply the needs of the economy.

Successful campaign

The national treasurer, Harold Garfinkle, presented a financial report which showed that despite the adverse economic conditions this year, the Society had succeeded in maintaining a high level of contributions to Technion and had kept expenses in line.

Toronto president Arnie Recht reported that the chapter had conducted a successful campaign for the integration of Soviet Jews and had achieved a record level of contributions received.

Cooper, in presenting the national report, expressed gratification at the construction of student residences, four of which were complete, two in the process of construction and a further two in the planning stages. He congratulated Ike Wenger, past chairman of the Montreal chapter for undertaking the funding of an additional residence.

He emphasized that the society's objectives remain to increase awareness of Technion, to enlarge the scope of fundraising particularly in the area of wills and endowments and to recruit and encourage young leadership.

In the ensuing elections, Cooper (Toronto) was re-elected national president and Morely Blankstein was elected (Winnipeg) chairman of the board. A slate of 16 officers and 47 board members from across Canada were elected.

English BA program launched

TORONTO —

The University of Haifa has announced that a BA degree program, with English as the language of instruction, will be introduced next year.

Academically-qualified students, with minimal Hebrew skills, will enroll. The target population includes new immigrants and potential immigrants who have not yet acquired requisite Hebrew skills but who wish to proceed with regular degree studies while learning Hebrew, and international students desiring a degree at the University of Haifa.

With the exception of the Weizmann Institute of Science (Graduate School), where the tradition is for courses to be taught in English, no such option exists in any Israeli University. For Israeli University undergraduate programs, Hebrew is a requisite for degree tract programs.

Students without proficiency in Hebrew are required to enroll in a pre-university program (Mechina), or in some cases, are accepted to studies only on a conditional status. Such preconditions and restrictions may dissuade capable students from studying in Israel.

The proposed program is a dual major BA program: English language and literature and general studies.

The English language and literature component follows existing departmental requirements with no modification.

The general studies courses will be drawn from courses offered by the Department of Overseas Studies. Approximately 15 different courses per semester are offered in the program, and are already accredited for degree tract students at the University of Haifa. Haifa students enroll in these courses for elective credits in their home departments.

Courses and seminars in English will also be taught by visiting professors at the university and by recent immigrant professors who are not yet proficient in Hebrew.

Hebrew language will be a required course each semester for all students in this program. A proficiency in Hebrew is a prerequisite for graduation from the program. Accordingly, it may be expected that many students, in the course of their studies, will be able to enroll in regular courses and seminars taught in Hebrew, thus further increasing the course options from the general studies component.

Special tutoring, options for exams in English and submission of reference papers in English would be added incentives to this option.

For further information, please contact, Fran Yacoubov, North American director, Overseas Studies Program, University of Haifa, 1110 Finch Ave. W., Suite 510, Downsview, Ontario M3J 2T2 or call (416) 665-4402 or FAX (416) 665-4468.

Lubavitch to fete Schwartz

TORONTO —

The 13th annual grand draw of the Chabad Lubavitch Organization will honor and pay tribute to Jack Schwartz who was instrumental in initiating this event.

The draw has the potential to raise approximately 25 percent of the Lubavitch annual operational budget, which has topped $1 million.

This year, as a result of the noticeable decline in major gifts due to the recession, the subscription has been raised to $250, from $180. "We felt that through a well-explained campaign which reaches over 1,000 participants, we would be able to recoup our deficit," said Rabbi Grossbaum, executive vice-president of Chabad Lubavitch.

This year the campaign is spearheaded by Alex Richman and Barry Appleby, assisted by a committee drawn from a cross-section of the entire community.

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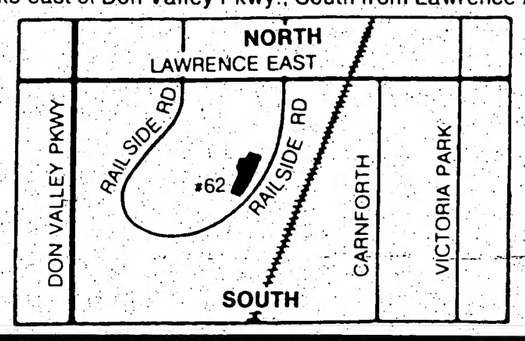

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Organizations and People

Lessons found in Holocaust: rabbi

Holocaust Education Week

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —
There is nothing wrong with asking how God could have allowed Auschwitz to happen, says Rabbi Moshe Stern of Shaarei Tefillah Congregation.

"It's not disrespectful to ask 'Where was God?' It's an act of despair, of crying out," Rabbi Stern told a Holocaust Education Week program last week at his shul.

How God could have allowed the Holocaust and what Jews' relationship to God should be following it "are the questions people still ask after the Holocaust, but are questions that haunt us."

Rabbi Stern said many Jews rejected their faith following the Holocaust and many had their Judaism reinforced by it. But he said he finds it "vile" that some Jews "used the Holocaust to relieve themselves" of being observant.

Ultimately, there is no answer to how God could have allowed Auschwitz, but "we cannot afford not to learn lessons from it."

One of those lessons is that superior culture, science and scholarship — such as existed in Nazi Germany — are no guarantees of civilized behavior, he said.

But the major lesson of the Shoah — the term Rabbi Stern said he prefers — is that man needs God to govern his actions.

Quoting the sages, Rabbi Stern likened education to rain, which nurtures both poison mushrooms and wheat. If a person is evil by nature, education, he said, will reinforce the evil, but knowledge can strengthen righteous behavior in an intrinsically good person.

Man cannot choose his own standards of behavior, he said. While one society may judge for itself not to murder, another may choose to kill because it has decided to do so, disregarding God's laws.

"Man cannot be the arbiter of standards. Human beings cannot be trusted not to act in a base and animalistic way.

"We are not capable of making our own choices. Auschwitz proves that."

In the end, all human beings must submit to God's laws, he said.

* * *

Charles Harnick, the Tory MPP for Willowdale, last week rose in Ontario's Legislature to proclaim Holocaust Education Week.

"We remember not only the victims but other testaments to human courage. We remember the resistance. We remember the liberators. We remember the spirit of survival of the witnesses. We remember the righteous among the nations," Harnick said.

Recalling and understanding the Holocaust "will help us prevent all forms of racism, hatred, bigotry and prejudice today. The lessons of history will guide us to shape our children's future. We must never forget."

Library case donated for Kimelman

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —
A section of the library at the Associated Hebrew Schools Danilack Education Centre was dedicated recently in memory of Marnie Kimelman, the Toronto teenager killed in a terrorist attack on a Tel Aviv beach in July 1990.

The shelving and display case, designed and constructed by Paul Ruminsky of Interpaul Studios, was made possible by contributions to the Marnie Kimelman Fund, which is administered by the Kimelman family.

Other dedications in Marnie Kimelman's honor include The Marnie Kimelman Memorial Scholarship Fund at Associated Hebrew Schools, The Marnie Kimelman annual memorial lecture at Adath Israel Synagogue, and a scholarship fund and display showcase established at York Mills Collegiate.

As well, Marnie's family and friends have established The Marnie Kimelman Trauma Centre at Ichilov Hospital in Tel Aviv.

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By
RON CSILLAG

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The 24-hour-a-day service, maugurated last week, provides callers within Metro almost instant interpretation in the world's major languages.

The service is provided by the AT&T Language Line, based in Monterey, Cal., Metro police acting Sergeant Lisa Hodgins told *The CJN.*

Here's how it works: Call takers at the Metro police communications centre on Jarvis Street try to pinpoint the language being spoken by the caller, if they don't recognize it immediately.

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Metro police call takers are trained to recognize many of the major languages, Hodgins explained. Asking for the right interpreter speeds up the process further, she added.

All Eastern European languages are represented, as are the various tongues spoken in the Soviet republics, the Baltic states and all semitic languages, she said.

The system was developed by a California police officer in the early 1980s after the influx of Vietnamese refugees.

According to police statistics, Metro's 911 service received about 50 calls last month from people speaking languages not immediately recognizable.

AT&T bills Metro about $2 per minute for the service, with a minimum charge of $25 a month.

Peel Region police have also hooked up to the service recently. Officials say York Region is not scheduled to get the 911 system until late 1993.

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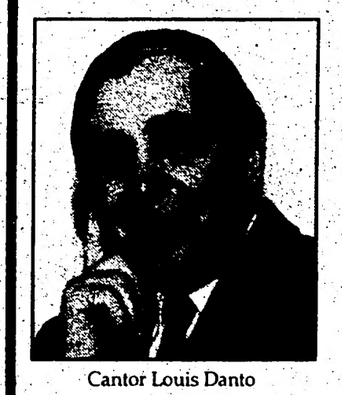

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Arts

Visual arts student creates UNICEF poster

By
PAULA CITRON

TORONTO —

It has become a tradition in Canada that school children collect money for UNICEF when they're out trick-or-treating for Halloween.

Each year UNICEF Canada sends a poster to the schools to symbolize the goals of the organization so that youngsters will understand what benefits the donations are providing for children around the world.

In an unusual departure, the 1991 Halloween poster was not executed by a professional artist as in the past; instead, the winning design was created by 18-year-old Lisa Kaffenbaum, a visual arts major in the Claude Watson Arts Program.

The program, which also includes theatre, dance and music, can only be entered by audition and is located at North York's Earl Haig Secondary School. Kaffenbaum has been a Claude Watson student since Grade 9.

"Kid love the poster and really relate to it," says UNICEF's Sashi Iyer. "Lisa's design has a loonie being put into a UNICEF box and the four basic UNICEF services flowing out of the bottom. It's very creative because it shows the money being translated into reality. There's also the wonderful picture of happy children surrounding a globe which means unity and sharing."

Kaffenbaum says, "The theme of the poster was Keeping the Promise — that UNICEF would continue to provide children with the basic needs of medicine, education, nutrition and water. The poster had to show children why they were taking the box around on Halloween.

"I knew it had to be fun and I wanted an immediate response, a quick idea that they could understand instantly, so I came up with the basic character face for the poster children — big, happy and friendly — and made sure I had lots of bright colors."

The design contest was suggested to Kaffenbaum by her teacher, Susan Vale, head of Visual Arts. "Lisa is very talented, particularly as a figurative artist," says Vale. "Her images are always very imaginative. I also knew that she had the determination and independence to follow through with the project in its various stages. Lisa has an incredible professional attitude for someone so young. Given her integrity as an artist, and her talent, I somehow knew that she would win."

For her part, Kaffenbaum, as the only high school student competing in the poster contest, did not expect to win. She entered for the experience. "As an artist," she says, "there were so many factors I had to think through. I loved the challenge and the problem-solving, particularly figuring out placement."

'I really enjoy design'

Kaffenbaum, who was born in Montreal and came to Toronto in Grade 4, developed the reputation as a talented artist even as a young child.

"My mother always doodles and my father is good with his hands, so I guess art is in the family. Where ever I go, people get to know my art, and I'm always being asked to do things. I enjoy working with pencils or oil sticks because I like to be close to the paper. I don't like paint brushes because they separate you from your art. I really enjoy design and I have great fun creating T-shirts, tickets and invitations for friends. I seem to be very good at composition. I just know what works esthetically and visually."

The young artist decided to try for Claude Watson late in the year after the audition process had been completed, but one look at her portfolio and she was accepted immediately. Kauffenbaum has a problem that many would envy; she's good at every aspect of art, although her immediate plans are to enter the Fine Arts program at York University to get her degree.

"I want it all," she says. "As well as subjects like photography and life drawing, I've also taken industrial and graphic arts and drafting. I'm interested in interior decorating and dress designing. I'd also like to have my own gallery. I know I want to do something in art, but I don't know what. I guess I'll figure it out in time."

Lisa Kaffenbaum with her UNICEF poster. [Al Wienberg photo]

Vancouver dance troupe to mark 10th anniversary

VANCOUVER —

The 10th anniversary of the Jewish Community Centre's Shalom Dancers will be celebrated at a concert in suburban Richmond on Nov. 23, with a repeat matinee the next day.

The dancers gave their first performance at a Yom Ha'atzmaut concert in 1981 and since that time the troupe has served as a cultural ambassador for the Jewish community, at home and abroad.

The Shalom Dancers performed at Expo 86, at First Night, Vancouver's New Year's Eve festival of the arts, throughout British Columbia as well as in Mexico City and Israel.

Adeena Lungen, formerly of Winnipeg and Toronto, a member of the troupe, reports in the *Jewish Western Bulletin* that the dancers' love of Israeli music and dance and the pride in their Jewish heritage "continue to inspire them as they work towards their anniversary extravanganza."

Joining the current corps of 16 dancers at the concert will be alumni who have performed with the group over the past 10 years.

Lungen says that as the group has evolved and diversified over the past decade, "Its repertoire has been augmented by innovative choreography developed by the members themselves and by visiting choreographers from Israel, Mexico and other areas of North America."

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Books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

Edward VII and His Jewish Court, by Anthony Allfrey (McClelland & Stewart, $39.95).

Queen Victoria reigned for 63 years. Her son Edward did not succeed to the throne of England until he was 59. During the long years of impatient waiting in the wings he strenuously pursued pleasures at home and abroad, in town or in the country. He had extravagant tastes and onerous obligations, a limited income and no expectations from his disapproving mother.

Edward's "warm human kindness," his freedom from prejudice and his blatant self-interest drew him inevitably to a circle of rich friends — many of them Jews. These included members of the Rothschild family, the Sassoons (Sephardi merchants who had been established in Baghdad for generations), and such fabulously wealthy entrepreneurs as Baron Maurice de Hirsch (who gave much of his vast fortune to resettle Jewish victims of Eastern European pogroms in North America and Argentina) and Sir Ernest Cassel — known by all as "Windsor Cassel."

These Jewish tycoons, eager and flattered to sustain the prince's favor, entertained him lavishly, lent him considerable sums of money, provided advice on his financial investments and contributed generously to charitable causes in his name.

Of course, the surprising influence and intimacy of these Court Jews with Edward was resented by members of the aristocracy, but to no avail. The prince, little concerned with salon gossip or stupid anti-Semitism, evinced genuine admiration for the astuteness and philanthropy of his Jewish acquaintances.

The author makes clear that there was never a hint of dishonesty or unfair dealing where Edward's enterprising Jewish friends were concerned.

"They never abused the power of their deep pockets. There was no breath of scandal or hint of sharp practice. This set them apart . . . the first Lord Rothschild's obituarist hailed him as, 'at once a prince in Israel and an Englishman of whom all England could be proud.' "

Perhaps the closest of Edward's Jewish friends was Ernest Cassel who financed the construction of the Aswan Dam on the Nile, the largest civil engineering project the world had yet witnessed and who played a leading role in the construction of the Central London underground railway. He acquired a unique position as the wealthiest and most powerful financier of his time.

Edward's reign was brief and following his death in 1910 the Court Jews quickly fell out of favor. Cassel died a year before his granddaughter Edwina would marry Queen Victoria's great-grandson, Lord Louis Mountbatten.

Unhappily, most of the Jewish families around the prince and their descendants displayed little interest in the Jewish faith as they rapidly assimilated to the prevailing culture.

The gallery of characters in this entertaining and informative history includes the American banker Jacob S. Schiff, Albert Ballin, the German Jewish head of the Hamburg-Amerika Steamship Line, Arthur Balfour, Theodor Herzl, Rufus Isaacs and Benjamin Disraeli.

One difficulty this book presents is the confusing number of names and the interwoven genealogies of the Jewish families. It is not easy sorting them out.

Edward VII and His Jewish Court is rich with anecdotes and telling detail about a relatively little known aspect of British history that was not without its influence on the colorful and exciting Edwardian Era.

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Arts

Dustin Hoffman (right foreground) stars in Billy Bathgate.

Living legend revived

Film

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Arthur Flegenheimer, more popularly known as Dutch Schultz, was a bigtime Jewish gangster in the 1930s, a ruthless hoodlum who was gunned down by rivals in November 1935. Along with Jewish hoods Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel, Lepke Buchalter and Jake Shapiro, Schultz was something of a living legend, at least in the eyes of the pulp magazines and the "yellow" press. From a strictly Jewish point of view, he and the others were representatives of an era in the Jewish immigrant experience in America.

Schultz is resurrected in *Billy Bathgate*, which is based on E.L. Doctorow's novel. As played by Dustin Hoffman, Schultz is a snarling, mumbling, violent-prone ruffian who thinks nothing of murdering a traitor or a potential foe.

Now playing at Famous Players theatres, *Billy Bathgate* turns not only on Schultz, but on a 16-year-old Irish boy (Loren Dean) who's convinced that joining Schultz's mob is his passport to the good life.

Although Schultz's Jewishness is never brought up directly, there are allusions to it. As Abe "Bo" Weinberg, his traitorous lieutenant (Bruce Willis), sits encased in a tub of drying cement, waiting to be dumped into a watery grave in the cold Atlantic, he accuses Schultz of being a "goneff" (a thief). And in a desperate gambit to influence public opinion at his tax evasion trial in upstate New York, Schultz converts to Roman Catholicism.

The Jewish flavor of *Billy Bathgate*, such as it is, is also invoked by Mark Warshawsky's much-loved Yiddish song, *Oyfn Pripetshok* (On the Hearth), which fills the screen with its sentimental ambience early on in the movie.

Ably directed by Robert Benton of *Bonnie & Clyde* and *Kramer vs. Kramer* fame, *Billy Bathgate* features Steven Hill as Schultz's cautious but astute accountant, Otto Berman, and Nicole Kidman as an aristocratic and adulterous moll who consorts with Weinberg, Schultz and Billy.

As mainstream films go these days, *Billy Bathgate* is not bad at all.

SNIPPETS...

•*Homicide*, now playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres, is nothing less than an extended meditation on Jewish identity, or lack thereof, in the United States. David Mamet's movie stars Joe Mantegna as Bobby Gold, a Jewish detective investigating the murder of an old Jewish woman who once smuggled guns to Jewish fighters in Palestine.

One of the most interesting films in years in terms of its Jewish subject matter, *Homicide* addresses such thought-provoking topics as assimilation, anti-Semitism and neo-Nazism.

"This is a story about belonging," Mamet has been quoted as saying. Gold (Mantegna), who is torn by divided loyalties, is thrust into a nether world of black criminals, hardened policemen, paranoic Jews, secretive Israeli agents, arcane librarians and Talmudic scholars. But for all its intriguing possibilities, *Homicide* is marred by stagey, self-conscious dialogue and theatrical overtones. Nevertheless, *Homicide* is an amazing cinematic journey.

Yiddish comes alive!

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

The fighting spirit and warm heart of partisan poet Hirsh Glick overflowed from one concert to another the following day as both were held to mark observance of Holocaust Education Week.

The two concerts left little doubt that there is an audience for Yiddish songs and stories of the resistance and beyond. The first, at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, sponsored by the committee for Yiddish of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, and Friends of Yiddish, and produced by Bess Shockett, attracted 300 people, while the second, at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, sponsored by its adult education committee, and co-ordinated by Cantor Louis Danto had an audience of 500.

What has become the anthem of the Holocaust, *Zog Nit Keynmol* (Never Say) by partisan Glick was featured at both concerts. Glick died at the age of 22, killed by Estonian Nazis when he fought with the partisans, but even in that short life-time, his output of poetry filled two volumes.

Mir Zaynen Do! was the title of the Shaarei Shomayim concert, taken from a line of *Zog Nit Keynmol*: "Our step beats out the message — we are here!"

The two principal soloists, Jenny Eisenstein and Gloria Valentine, nicely complemented each other. Eisenstein singing at both concerts and Valentine sang as well as wrote and narrated *We Pledge to Remember* the dramatic musical presentation in Yiddish and English at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda.

The narration at *Mir Zaynen Do!* was written and spoken by Hindy Abelson with powerful dramatic readings of Glick's works by Rose Weisbrot, Allen Farkas, Michael Lebovic and David Newman.

The most moving number of the two concerts was a song about the mountain of shoes left at Maidanek concentration camp. It was performed by the Zemer Chorale, the boys of the Beth Emeth Synagogue choir and soloist Leonid Karpinski, with beautiful music composed by Charles Heller, choir director at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda.

It was taken from *I Saw a Mountain* by Moishe Shulshtein, translated by Hindy Abelson. The boys spoke for the shoes, and their sweet, light voices drummed home their parting words, "we march on." Members of this boys' choir were Jordan Berg, Jason Goldberg, Daniel Gryfe, Mitchell Strong, Joshua Wolfe, David Grundland, Moishy Jesin, Ira Lendenberg, Ashley Ross, Simon Wolfe, Adam Cutler, Yakov Jesin, Willy Knapp, David Manson, Tal Wagman and Martin Winer.

Audrey Kaufman was the soloist with the Zemer Chorale in the performance of *Ani Ma'amin* a song based on Maimonide's 13 Articles of Faith.

The accompanist for Eisenstein at the first concert was Bill Berle and at the second, Natalya Tyomkina. The accompanist for Valentine was John Henry Nyenhuis.

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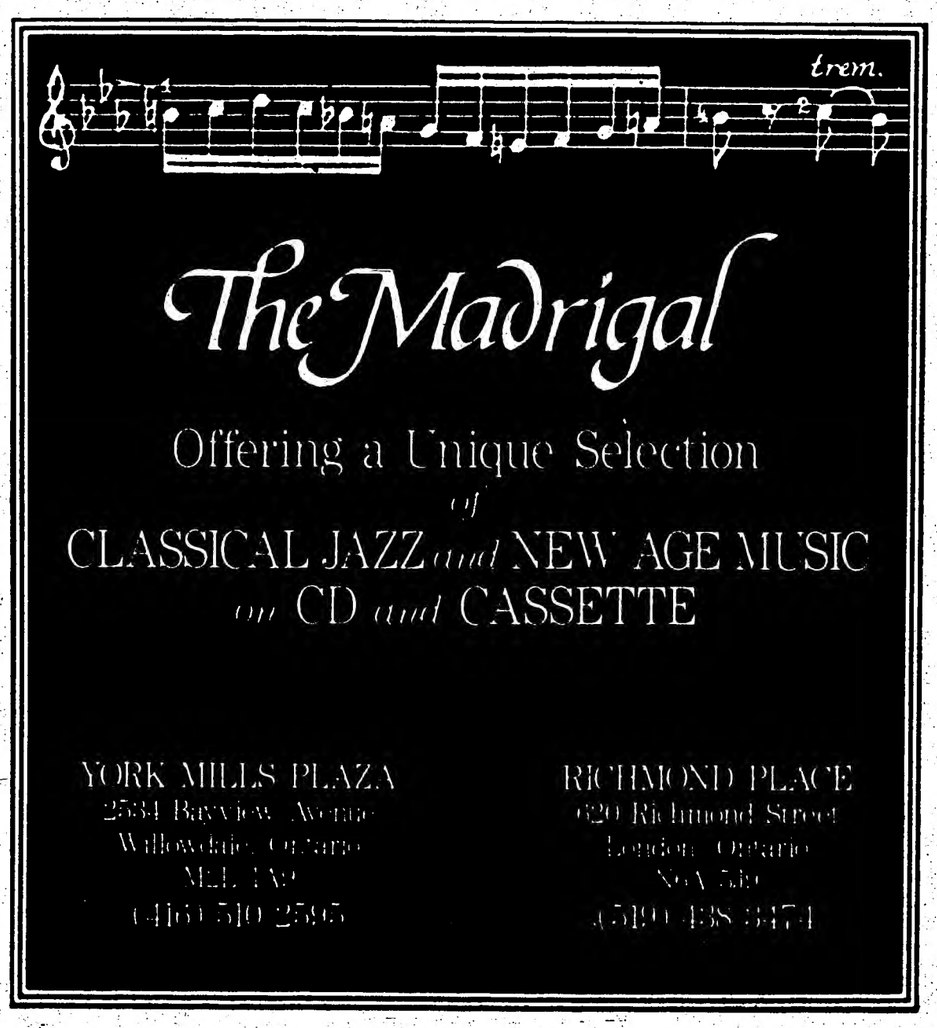

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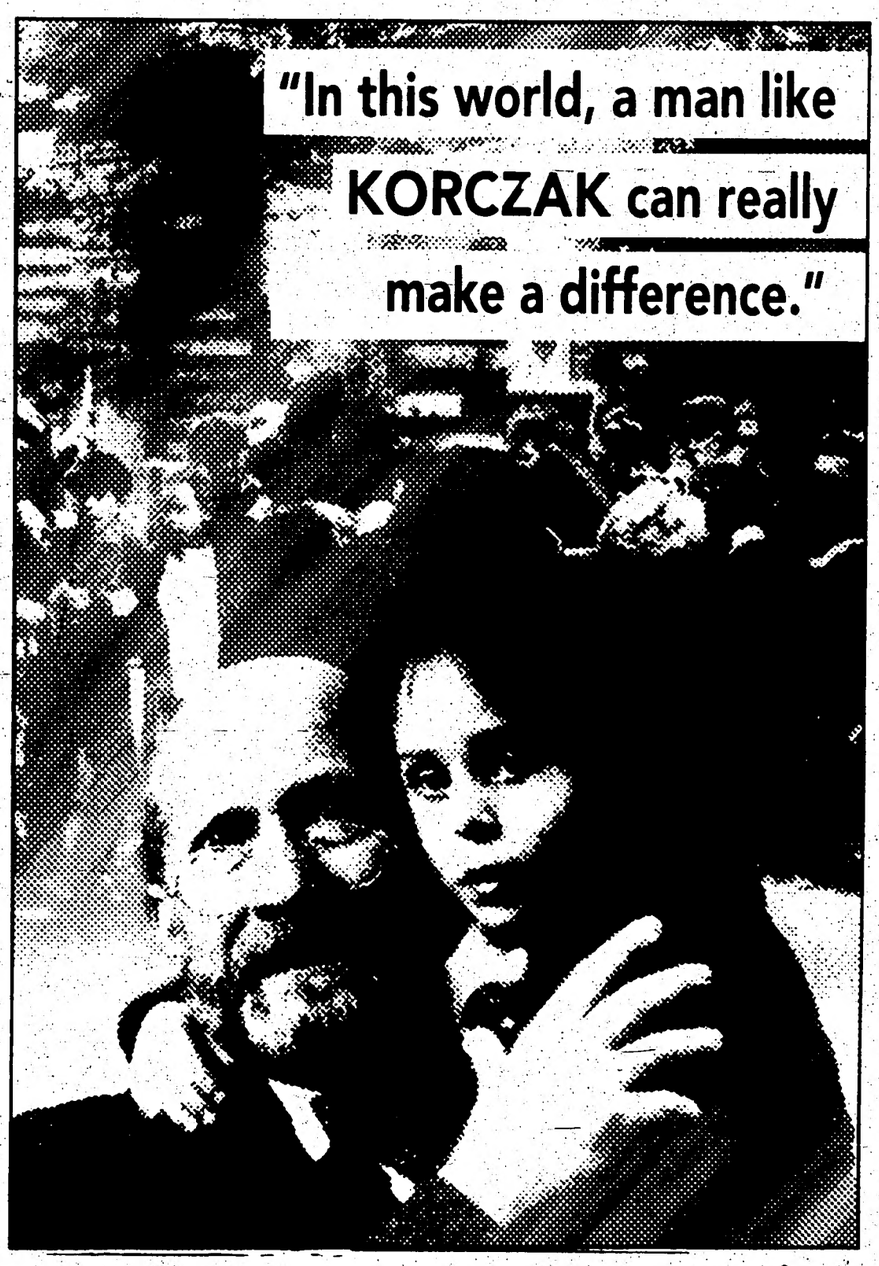

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Arts

Frank Rasky's SHOWBIZ SHORTS

Aba Bayefsky expects to bring to life next week "everything but the great yells and smells" of Kensington Market.

Even then he hopes those bantering shouts and pungent perfumes will be evoked in the vignettes of the marketplace in Toronto's onetime Jewish immigrant ghetto he has been recording in his sketch book and on canvas for half a century.

Frank Rasky

The scenes show merchants peddling, customers haggling, fish being gutted, chickens plucked, peaches pinched, shmaltz herring weighed, kosher dills in a barrel displayed.

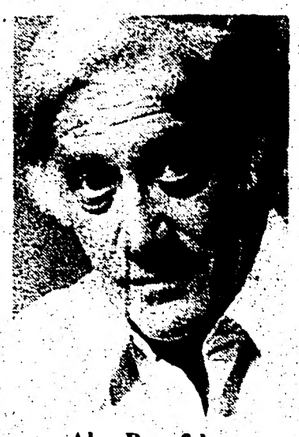
The hustle and bustle has been recaptured in an art exhibition-cum-book launch opening Nov. 19 and extended until Dec. 7 at the Karney Gallery, 11 Yorkville Ave. (964-1122). On display will be more than 40 of his pencil drawings, watercolors and oils, ranging in price from $395 to $6,500.

He will also autograph copies of the new 128-page Mosaic Press book, *Aba Bayefsky In Kensington Market*; it contains 125 reproductions of his works, along with a memoir of the historic market by social worker **Ben Lappin** and a biography of the 68-year-old Bayefsky by the art expert **Paul Duval**. Softcover editions sell for $17.95 and hardcover for $29.95.

Bayefsky, the son of a Russian immigrant linotype operator for the old *Toronto Hebrew Journal*, studied with Group of Seven painter **Arthur Lismer**, and was one of the first Canadian artists to take ordinary street people as his subject.

"Abstracts have never interested me," he says. "Give me the faces and figures of people anytime. They've been basic to art since the earliest cave paintings. People will never go out of style."

You stil have time to catch the tour de force performance of **Diane Flacks** as a comic mime clown in **Jason Sherman's** updated version of the 18th-century slapstick romance, **Carlo Gozzi's** *The Serpent Woman*, running until Nov. 17 at the Poor Alex Theatre, 296 Brunswick Ave. (927-8998). Flacks, a graduate of Associated Hebrew Schools and of the York University performance program, as well as the playwright who wrote last season's one-woman comedy show, *Myth Me*, bowled me over with her truly extraordinary display of talent last week. She's a real comer.



Aba Bayefsky

Diane Flacks

Winnipeg obviously has become a rich source of Jewish creativity. I was intrigued by two front page stories in the *Globe and Mail* recently about two Jewish executives — both coincidentally from the Manitoba capital — who have attained high positions in the Toronto arts field.

One is **Max Tapper**, former executive director of the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra, newly appointed managing director of the Toronto Symphony.

The other is **Abraham Simkin**, the Winnipeg publisher of ethnic newspapers, who has taken over from **Anna Porter** the chairmanship of the Toronto-based book publishing firm of Doubleday Canada.

I took forward to attending the following shows involving Jewish creators . . . **Eric Steiner** is director of **David Steven's** generation-gap, father-and-son drama, *The Sum Of Us*, opening Nov. 15 at Bathurst Street Theatre

Robert Minden, the former sociology professor turned children's musical entertainer, is offering a treat to youngsters aged 7 and up in a concert Nov. 19 in the Jane Mallett Theatre of St. Lawrence Centre (924-1766). It's the fantastical musical odyssey he composed, *The Boy Who Wanted To Talk To Whales*. The 50-year-old, Vancouver-based musician, in tandem with his two daughters, flute player **Andrea** and trumpeter **Dewi**, use a variety of wacky instruments to tell the tale.

Toronto actress-author **Corinne Copnick** plays a star role in *Look At The Book*, a half-hour video condensation of *Altar Pieces*, a collection of short stories and poems she wrote, scheduled to be published as a book next year. The Medina Theatre Ensemble will present a concert reading of excerpts from the video Nov. 19 at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St. (631-6492). Copnick performs in the video alongside of her daughter, actress **Shelley Lynne Spiegel**, with another daughter, **Janet Spiegel**, handling the directing.

I bow out with this exit line quoted by the Jewish *Toronto Star* columnist **Tony Aspler** in his entertaining and enlightening new book, *Wine Lover's Companion* (McGraw-Hill Ryerson; 256 pages; $19.95):

"A bottle of wine begs to be shared; I have never met a miserly wine lover."

Cantors get audience clapping

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Five internationally-renowned cantors who were in Toronto recently for the International Conference of Traditional Cantors, which attracted more than 100 cantors from around the world, presented a Gala Cantorial Concert at the Adath Israel Synagogue.

Cantor Eliezer Kirshblum of the Adath Israel Synagogue, who co-chaired the convention with Cantor Paul Kowarsky of the Beth Tzedec Congregation, was the master of ceremonies of the concert, which included synagogue prayers, cantorial recitatives and Yiddish music.

Accompanying the cantorial artists was Cantor Daniel Gildar of Philadelphia who is a cantor in his own right. Gildar capably interpreted the variety of selections presented by the featured cantors.

Polish-born Cantor Pinchas Rabinowicz of Los Angeles, who lived and studied in Israel, opened the concert with a Moshe Koussevitsky composition, *V'lirushalayim Ir'cha*, followed by his own spirited composition, *Yehei Raavoh Kodomoch*. The receptive audience, added ruach with hand clapping; some sang along.

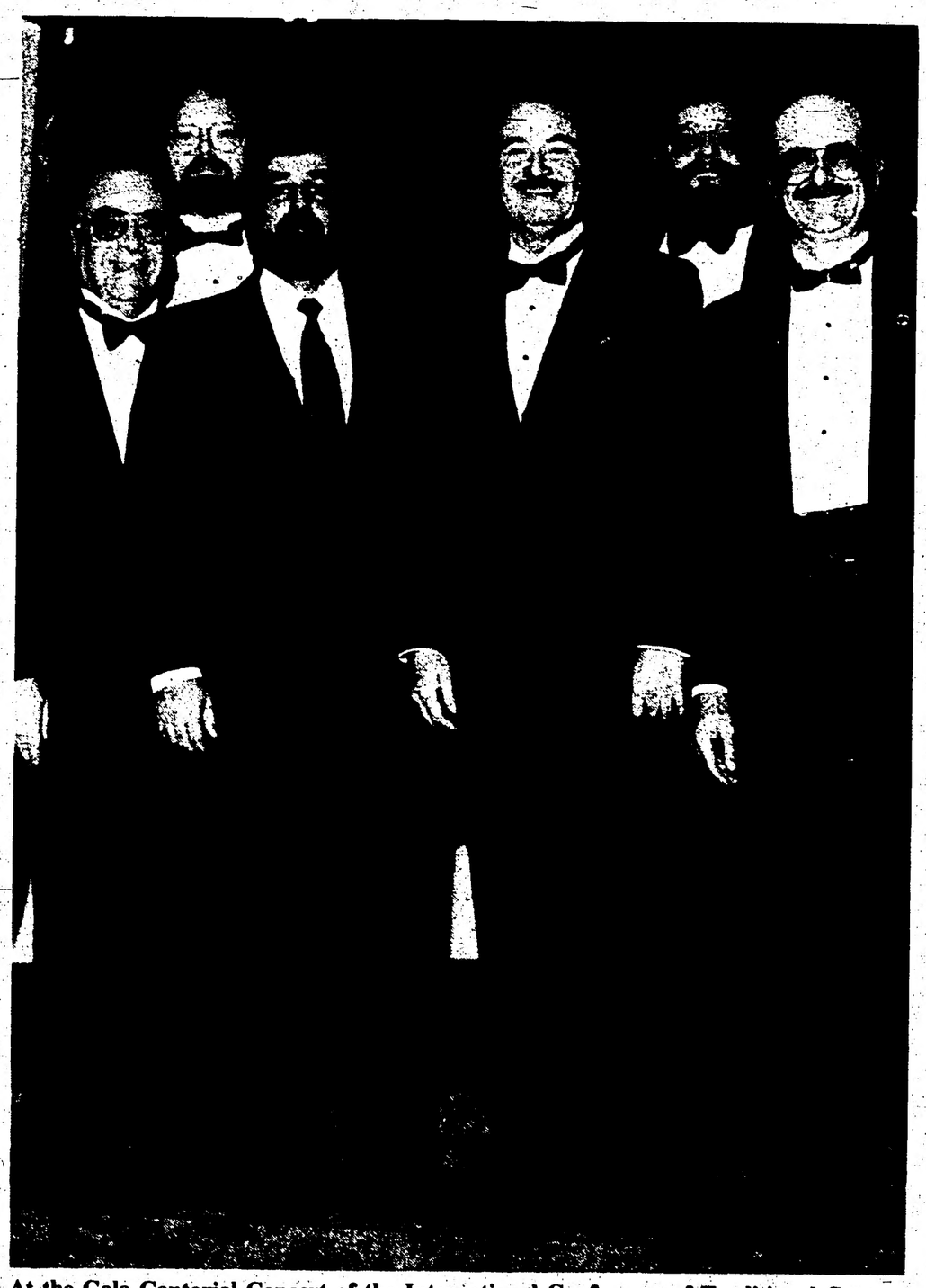
Tel Aviv-born Cantor Yaacov Motzen, who is presently in Montreal, chose a Yossele Rosenblatt version of *Acheinu Kol Beis Yisroel* followed by a rousing interpretation of the *Yiddish Mamete* which demonstrated his exceptional range and the resonance of his voice.

On his return to Toronto, Cantor David Bagley, who was the president of the Toronto Council of Hazzanim before accepting a post in Montreal, treated the audience to a medley of familiar Yiddish folk songs, which expressed the cantor's scope and interpretative variations.

Bagley intoned a sombre prayer for the Israeli soldiers who died recently. He dedicated his own composition, *V'nireihu Ayin B'ayin*, to the tragic loss of the Israeli soldiers and to the success of the peace conference.

Another former Toronto chazzan, who was the cantor of Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue and is now in New York City, Cantor Ben Zion Miller, sang with the purity of tone and splendor that makes him one of the leading cantors in the world. With exquisite tone, interpretation and projection, Miller brought the audience to its feet with *Ribon Ho-olomim* followed by *Achai Giborei Hat'hilah*.

In the difficult position of following four exceptional cantors, Cantor Moshe Stern of Israel treated the audience to a composition co-written by himself and his father, Israel Stern, *Zochreinu B'zikoron Tov*. He brought lightness and humor to the evening with an innovative and creative version of *Chazonim Oif Proibe* (The Cantor's Audition). His mastery of style and accents in imitating several types of cantors was done with charm, aplomb and total control.

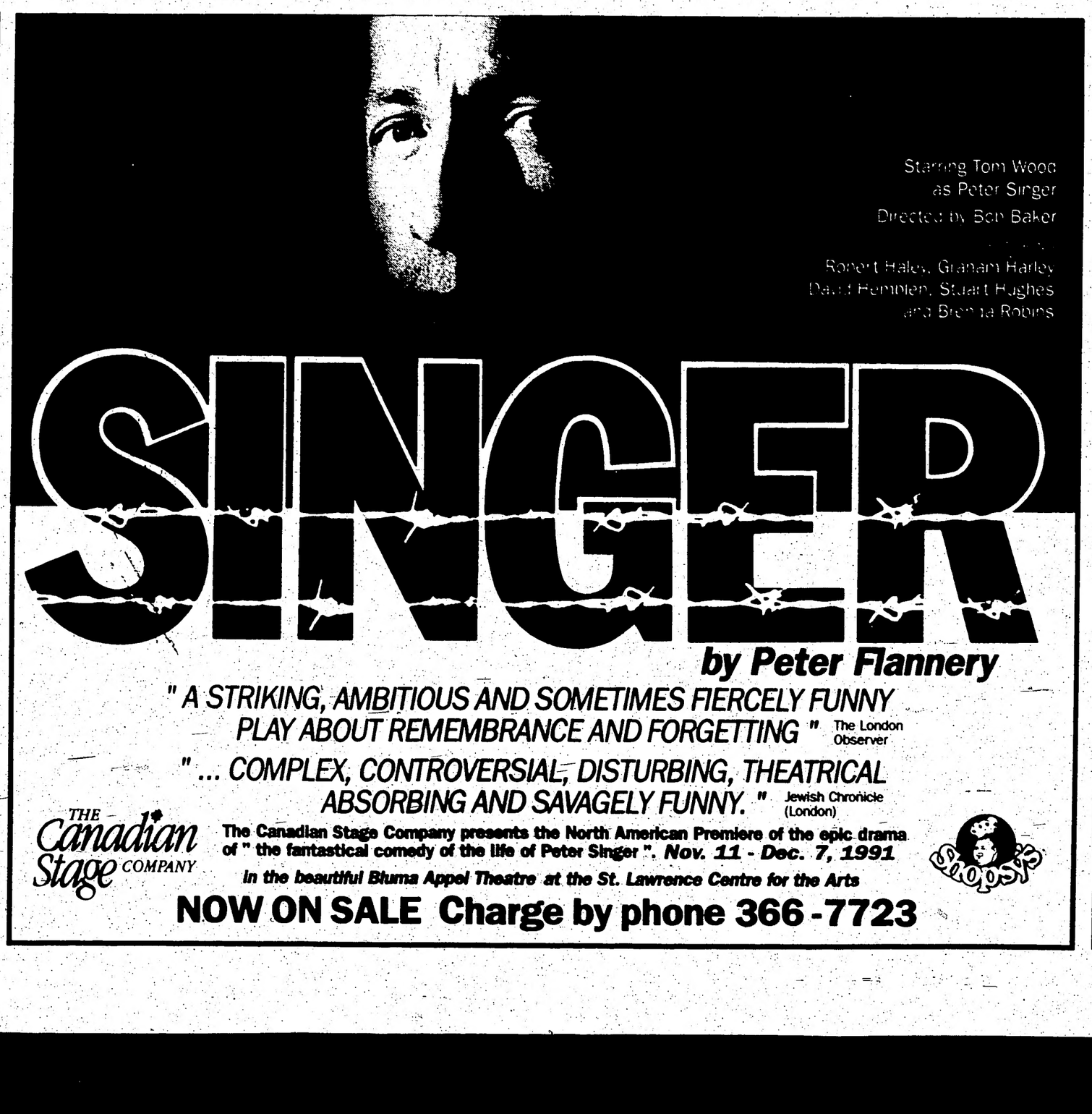


At the Gala Cantorial Concert of the International Conference of Traditional Cantors are (from left) Cantors David Bagley, Yaacov Motzen, Paul Kowarksy, Moshe Stern, Ben Zion Miller and Pinchas Rabinowciz.

Returning after the intermission, the five cantors brought a gamut of moods, tones and interpretations. In a brilliant presentation of *A Chazendl Oif Shabbes*, Miller, with Gildar's piano improvisations, brought the audience to its feet. And the audience again responded with enthusiasm as Bagley presented a memorable *Harninu Goyim Amo*.

The five featured cantors were joined by Kirshblum and Kowarsky and together they closed off a memorable evening with *Zol Shoin Kumen de Geulah* (A Wish for a Speedy Redemption).

Expressing his excitement at the overwhelming success of the cantorial concert, Kirshblum told *The CJN* that "Toronto Jewry was treated to a once-in-a-lifetime cantorial concert of the highest calibre."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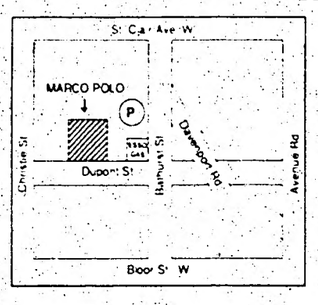

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Travel

TRAVEL TALK

By
LEN BUTCHER –

Up 'til now it's been kind of hard to talk about travel. We've probably enjoyed one of the best spring and summer's we've ever had when it comes to weather and the fall, until today, hasn't been all that bad either.

Maybe I'm just suffering from the Monday blues, but the scene outside what is laughingly referred to as my office, is hardly cause for joy. It's almost as dull and drab as downtown **Cleveland.**

It's as if an artist, going through his "grey period" had painted this landscape. The sky's grey, the buildings are grey, the streets are grey, even the grass is grey. Is this any way to live?

I'd ask for some time off, but our esteemed editor, **Genghis Khan Rucker**, doesn't seem in the mood these days to dispense any largesse. Just because she works 60-hour weeks, she expects me to put in at least 20. And you think you've got it tough.

I think I'll wait and catch her in a weak moment. Unfortunately, **GK**, as they refer to her around the coffee machine, doesn't have any weak moments. Ah, well, life goes on and even though I may not be able to get away, I can sure tell you places where you can go. Maybe I should rephrase that.

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Big news out of **Israel** from my not-so-secret source in the **Israel Government Tourist Office.** Director **Yehuda Shen** startled me the other day when he called to say that **Tolstoy** had visited **Haifa** recently.

Now when it comes to promoting **Israel,** nobody does it better than **Shen,** but this was far-fetched even for him.

When I questioned the truth of this claim, the tone of his voice changed to that of a mother telling her daughter about sex for the first time. With patience, slowly and an "I-know-you-might-find-this-hard-to-believe,-but..." ring to it.

"Not the man," he said. "The ship." Patience evaporating, eyes rolling, hands gesturing, not quite foaming at the mouth.

"Oh," I responded. There are times when my quick repartee abandons me. Anyway, what the hell is this guy talking about and why are his eyes turning red? I just questioned the accuracy of his statement. You know how these guys like to exaggerate at times.

It turns out that a **Soviet** cruise ship called the **Lev Tolstoy** (why didn't he say this in the first place) has made **Haifa** a destination on its **Mediterranean** sailings. On its maiden voyage more than 800 tourists, mainly **Europeans**, took advantage of the stop in **Haifa** to take a two-hour trip to see **Jerusalem** and **Tel Aviv.**

This points not only to the flourishing tourist traffic to **Israel,** says **Shen,** but also to a more gentle and promising international atmosphere. Whatever the reasons, it's good news for **Israel** and hats off to the **Soviets.**

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The **Hyatt Regency Jerusalem** has announced several new tourist packages for the winter season. The first is an **Easy Come, Easy Go** package which includes three nights' accommodation, full **Israeli** buffet breakfast daily, entrance to the **Jerusalem Spa,** including massage, hydrotherapy or **Dead Sea** treatment, round-trip airport transfer and free shuttle to the city centre. This program runs from Nov. 16 to Feb. 28.

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A group of Israeli schoolchildren climb a canyon in the Negev's Wilderness of Zin. [Joel Fishman photo]

Zin captures Jewish past

THE NEGEV —

The Wilderness of Zin is a vast expanse of desert in Israel's northern Negev. In the Bible, Moses designated the Wilderness of Zin as the southern border for the Israelites on their entry into Canaan (Numbers 34:3-4). In fact, the spies sent to scout the land went out from Zin to Rehov on their sojourn (Num. 13:21).

Kadesh in Zin is the location of the grave of Miriam, sister of Moses (Num. 20:1), and the site where Moses struck the rock to obtain water at the insistence of the thirsty Iraelites in the desert. Several scholars have proposed alternate locations for the Wilderness of Zin ranging from the Arava to the eastern Sinai, but this seems to be the accepted site.

The canyons in the Wilderness of Zin divide the hills into its northern and central sections. Formed by the erosion of soft rocks, the cliffs of the desert boast impressive canyons — the major one being Ein Avdat. These unique canyons, characterized by springs and wells, are the sole sources of water for this arid region.

The varied flora and fauna of the desert thrive in this area, as do ancient forms of animal and plant life that cannot be found elsewhere. Palm trees, lotus plants, types of parsley, and other trees abound. Tropical shrubs grow from the crevices of the rocks. Animal life includes planaria worms, scorpion-like insects of some 10 centimetres in length, and unusual kinds of ants.

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Expert examines Israel's economy

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

"We are at an interesting stage in Israel's economy ... one that none of us understands," says the chairman of Kesselman & Kesselman, one of Israel's oldest and leading accounting firms.

"What we don't understand is why Israel's economy is booming while the rest of the world is in a slump. There is no scientific reason for it," says Michael Kevehazi, adding that olim are not significant in economic terms as of yet.

Kevehazi was invited by The Canada — Israel Chamber of Commerce to speak at a private briefing hosted by the Toronto firm of Minden, Gross, Grafstein & Greenstein last week. Kevehazi outlined the investment picture in Israel and supplied an update on the economy.

He explains that in the 1970s and early '80s, Israel's economy experienced a period of relative stagnation. Although there was a growth rate, the figure was low.

Hyperinflation was a contributing factor of this stagnation, Kevehazi says. In 1985, the government took drastic anti-inflationary measures that lowered the level from over 100 percent to an annual level of 16 to 20 percent.

He says that in the last three months, there have been warnings that the inflation rate will climb over the 20 percent mark this year but

Michael Kevehazi

the government will likely take drastic measures again to avoid a renewal of inflation.

"Other indications are also favorable. The Gross National Product (GNP) growth is now back to a 6 percent level, foreign debt has been substantially reduced from over 77 percent of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) to just over 30 percent.

"The investment rate is currently high. The 1990 growth was reported at 24 percent with industrial production and exports both rising 5 and 6 percent per annum, respectively," Kevehazi says.

He points out that the most dramatic aspect of the economy is the growth of the labor force, due to a large extent to immigration.

While he describes this labor force as highly educated and motivated, he adds that not all the skills are usable. A period of adjustment and retraining is needed.

As a result, an increase in the unemployment figure is unavoidable. Kevehazi points out that supplying 600,000 people with jobs within a five-years span is difficult.

What is the Israeli government doing to encourage investment?

Kevehazi cites a number of wide-ranging incentives that have been implemented to facilitate new investment projects or expand existing ones.

The main items include: infrastructure facilities that includes subsidised premises for industry; fixed asset cash grants or state guaranteed loans or a combination of both; tax holiday options depending on location; reduced tax rates; accelerated depreciation; and research and development grants available through a number of organizations.

Other fields where incentives are targeted include capital investment companies; international trading companies; oil exploration tax shelters; approved rental properties; and employment incentive payments. There is a totally free right of repatriation of income and capital.

Kevehazi points out that Israel's Free Trade Agreement with the United States, the European community and the liberalization of trade with all Third World countries is a great asset for potential investors.

Kevehazi outlined the results of a survey of existing foreign investors. The survey rated Israel as a good economy in which to invest.

Kevehazi says that the major factor for investing in Israel is the skilled, qualified labor force. The survey also shows that there was a reasonably high satisfaction with both the government and professional services.

Overall, Kevehazi says he is optimistic about the economic situation in the country. He adds that while one day he hopes to see the banners of all the major corporations flying in Tel Aviv, he says he believes that more time and prayers are needed before this occurs.

Bank joins world consortium

TEL AVIV —

The Bank Hapoalim Group for the first time has participated in an international consortium underwriting shares on a foreign securities exchange.

Israel's largest financial institution, Bank Hapoalim took part recently in the international portion of $250 million offering of shares by the Robert Maxwell Group in the Scitex Corporation, noted Israel-based electronic imaging company, through American underwriters Lehman Brothers, Salomon Brothers and Alex Brown & Sons.

Bank Hapoalim (Switzerland) Ltd. is one of the six foreign members of the consortium which included Nomura International of Japan, the world's largest securities firm, and several major European banks. Scitex shares are traded on NASDAQ, the New York Over-the-Counter Exchange.

Professional consultation for Bank Hapoalim's participation in the offering was provided by Poalim Capital Markets & Investments Ltd., the group's investment banking arm. This firm is said to be studying the possibility of bringing major investment companies from the United States and Europe into consortiums which will sell share issues of government-owned Israeli corporations, such as Israel Chemicals Ltd., on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange.

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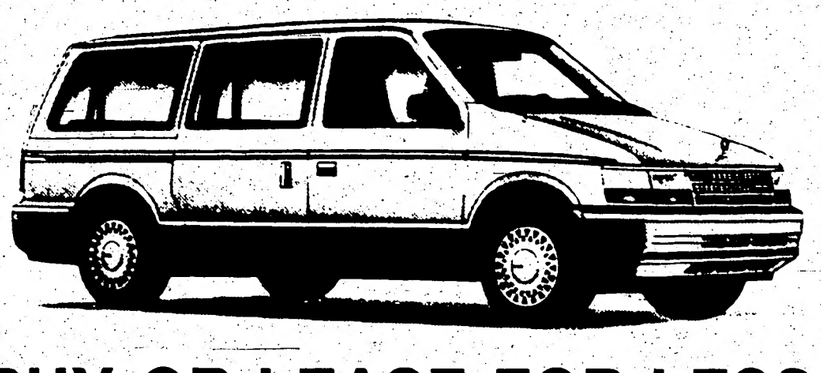
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"POWER OF SALE" TOWNHOUSE BATHURST N. OF FINCH
$199,900 — 3 bdrm family home, low maint. Mortgagee wants to see offers! Great location & investment. A. Halpern 764-7200.

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BAYVIEW/YORK MILLS

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CENTRAL

LUXURY, BEAUTY and superior design are the qualities of this majestic Old Forest Hill Rd. home. Pool/tennis ct. $5,400,000. E. Kalles 488-4488.

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REDUCED $600,000
Magnificent Lower Village residence. Grand princ. rms., wonderful master suite + 5 other bdrms., 7 baths, sensational kitchen. *Mary Wasser.

RUSSELL HILL RD.
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AFFORDABLE VENDOR TERMS
$1,890,000. Handsome 3-storey stone Tudor. 6+ bdrms., Snaidero kitchen, stunning family room. Central air. Double garage. *Edith Weiss.

PRIME LOWER VILLAGE
$1,490,000. Classic 3-storey Georgian. 8 bdrms., 5 baths, library with fireplace on main, grand princ. rms. **Harold Hillman.

FOREST HILL RD.
$1,085,000. Fabulous "New York" interior design. 4 bdrms. + master w/dressing rm., library. Wine cellar. Dble. gar. **Gary Mitchell.

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CEDARVALE TUDOR + POOL
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FOREST HILL TOWNHOME
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1ST TIME BUYERS — JUST REDUCED
NOW $455,000. Spacious 3+ bdrms., master ensuite, family rm., reno. kitchen + brkfst. rm, nanny's rm. Pvt. drive. *Shelley Fine.

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AFFORDABLE ARMOUR HEIGHTS
$425,000. Fabulous 3 bdrms., new kitchen, main flr. family rm. Great lower level. Central air. Attached garage. *Jerry Kerbel.

HOGGS HOLLOW
$1,195,000. Unique setting. Fabulous new home. 4+ bdrms., 5 baths, generous use of marble, granite & hardwood. **Harold Hillman.

DOWNTOWN VICTORIAN
$349,000. Bloor/Sherbourne. Spacious principal rooms, multi fireplaces, updated kitchen. Motivated Vendor. *Arthur Caplan.

LUXURY CONDOMINIUMS

AVENUE RD/ST. CLAIR
$449,000. Stunning 2 bdrm., 2 bath unit, modern kitchen, insuite laundry, alarm. Balcony. Prestige building. *Wilma Freedman.

EGLINTON/YONGE
$289,900. Lovely suite overlooking city. 2 bdrms. + den. Approx. 1,200 sq. ft. Security. Sauna. Indoor pool. Avail. immed. *Betty Cohen.

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$289,900. Smashing townhome. 2 bdrms., open concept, fireplace, Jacuzzi, main flr. powder rm. Private city garden. *Howard Schmeltzer.

240 HEATH ST. W.
$498,000. Unique condo. apt. Huge master with ensuite, 3 walk-outs to oversize balcony, spacious living/dining rm. *Eve Hillman.

BATHURST/LAWRENCE
$318,000. Excellent space in this 2 bdrm., 2 bath suite. Kitchen with breakfast rm., solarium. West exposure. *Syma Solomon.

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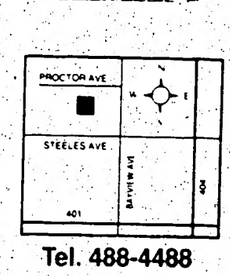

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Main floor fam & laundry, finished basement 2 car garage Call Robert Samery 886-1988.

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3 bedroom twnhse cathedral ceilings mn flr den, eat-in kit. Fin bsmnt. Nr. Eglinton shopping, schools, subway. Pauline Spence 226-1987.

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Charming 3 bdrm. with traditional charm. Hrdwd flrs, new kit & bath. 4 appls. Lynda Stoneman 226-1987.

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1½ stry w/bsmnt apt! Plans available for new 2 stry, 4 bdrm home. $289K or $599K. Maurice Gherson 488-2875.

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BAYVIEW/SHEPPARD — $788,000.00 CUSTOM
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Cath. ceil. Main fl. fam. rm. & lndry rm. Frpl, fin. bse w/nanny's rm. $474,900. L. Stoneman 226-1987.

STEELES/WESTMINSTER $368,900
Large 4 bdrm, main floor fam. rm. w fireplace, white kit; ceramic tiles, grey broadloom. Shows to perfection! D. Weiser/J. Maguire 226-1987.

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LOCATION! LOCATION! LOCATION! 1ST AD
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Fabulous townhouse semi; 3 storey, 4 bdrm Thousands spent on upgrades. Motivated Vendor. Hanya Kay

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BATHURST/ST. CLAIR
Hillcrest Village home, 3 bdrm semi. licensed front pad parking. Renovated with charm. $225,000. Faithe Sversky

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Must sell. Great investment! 3 kit; 3 baths. Extremely motivated vendor. $169,900. Faithe Sversky

YONGE/SHEPPARD
Wonderful 3 bedroom condo in excellent location. $$$ on upgrades. Faithe Sversky

WOODLAND ACRES ESTATES
This spacious 4 bdrm home is situated on 1.08 acres in a very desirable location. $795,000. David Kamil

AVENUE ROAD/LAWRENCE
Approx. 3,200 sq ft of custom-designed elegance in this 4 bdrm, 4 bath home with num. extras. Priced at $589,000. Susan Teplitsky

PRESTIGIOUS TEEFY AVE.
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Elkeslassy, Miriam on October 25, 1991, late of 21 Granite Street.
Feinstein, Bella on October 29, 1991.
Glicksman, Albert on November 1, 1991.
Halberstadt, Mollie on November 2, 1991, late of 144 Bannockburn Avenue.
Krystal, Frank on November 1, 1991, late of 238 Searle Avenue.
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Seligman (Klyman), Anne on October 29, 1991.
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Alter Pasternak on Oct 25/92, late of 5771 Eldridge.
Tillie Green on Oct 28/91, late of Lincoln Place Nursing Home.
Ruth Derl on Oct 27/91, late of 415 Shaw Street.
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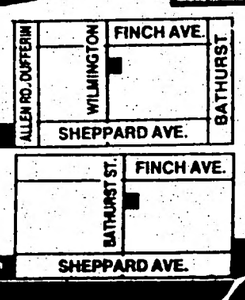

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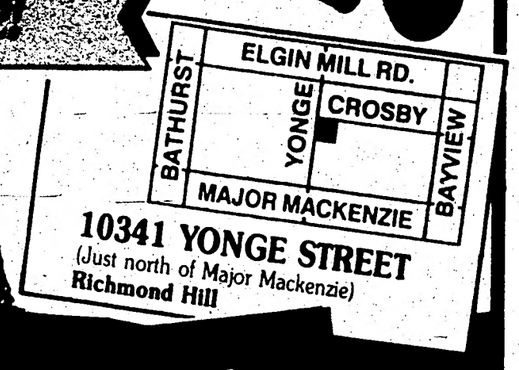

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